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HANOVER FINANCE COMMITTEE
TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

Fearful of big budgets, but hopeful something could be done to hold down the tax rate in Hanover, the Finance Committee started its meetings earlier than usual this year. However, accomplishments have not lived up to desires. Along with other communities trying to cope with new school buildings and increased enrollments the School Budget took a terrific jump upwards of 31%. The Precinct and Town budgets combined, increased about 16% over last year. Thus the estimated total tax will be about $6.76 per hundred dollar tax valuation. Comparative tax rates with the last four years appear in a Summary at the end of this report.

Increases in the 3 general budgets were due largely to increased salaries, purchase of needed equipment, and general increases in cost of operation. While there was a desire to do a heroic job of budget cutting, the consensus was that it would be short sighted on our part to demand too austere a budget from our governing bodies. Therefore, the budgets were approved as presented with very minor changes. We feel somewhat like the present National Administration which has said in effect that the budget was too large but there it was! Unless the citizens want to get along with less or poorer services we see no lower budgets this year. There are certain nonrecurrent items in this year's budgets which would cut the overall tax approximately 80c another year unless other items appear to take their place. Salaries have been well adjusted this year, and unless we have a continued inflationary spiral further changes should be relatively minor.

Following a trend started earlier to better equalize the expenses of the Town and Precinct, the Town Selectmen have absorbed a larger part of the expense of the Highway, Police, and Fire Departments in their budget. Thus about one half of the Town increase in expenses in the proposed budget is due to absorbing these costs from the Precinct. The effect of these changes is to lower what would have been the Precinct rate by 24c and increase the Town rate 19c. The Finance Committee favors this change and believes there is now a more equitable relationship between the taxes paid and benefits received by non-residents and residents of the Precinct.

A year ago the Finance Committee, realizing the impact of the greatly increased taxes on the community, felt that relief could only come from a new state wide broad base tax reverting to communities, and/or a possible real estate tax on that portion of the hospital occupied by the Hitchcock Clinic, and an immediate review of the tax valuation of Dartmouth College.

Nothing has been accomplished to date relative to a broad base tax that will help us.

Following this committee's request to the Selectmen to make appropriate overtures to the Trustees of Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital they did so, and last summer made public the following letter explaining their decision not to tax the Hospital for the Clinic's quarters:

May 15, 1956

"Edward M. Cavaney, President
Board of Trustees
Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital
Hanover, New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Cavaney:

We wish to express to the Trustees of the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital our appreciation for the opportunity of meeting with a committee of Hospital personnel to discuss the possibilities of Hospital taxation with respect to the portion of the Hospital occupied by the Hitchcock Clinic. This meeting was most informative.

We believe that since its foundation, the first concern of the Clinic, as well as that of the Hospital, has always been the well-being of the patient.

We believe that for a considerable part of its services the Clinic could well be classified as an Educational Institution.

We believe that the interrelation of Clinic and Hospital with respect to interchange of services has resulted in a lowering of the cost of treatment to the patient.

We believe that any change in the present relationship of Clinic and Hospital would result in a lowering of the morale of the Clinic

and Hospital staffs, with a consequent increase in cost to the patient; that his treatment would be strictly a "dollars and cents" affair, and that any concern about him as a human being would largely evaporate. This must not happen. So much depends on the "atmosphere" surrounding the patient.

Except for property acquired by the Hospital from the so-called "tax list" and in view of the above, the Selectmen believe that the Hospital is, as the Charter states, "in its nature a public charity", and have voted unanimously that the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital is, and should be, tax exempt in all respects both from a legal and moral point of view.

Sincerely yours,
FLETCHER LOW
NILES A. LACOSS
GORDON R. INGRAM
Selectmen of Hanover "

Shortly after the Finance Committee made these requests to the Selectmen it was informed that the Selectmen had already accepted a voluntary increase from Dartmouth College in lieu of taxes. In 1915, $800,000 was accepted as the tax valuation of College property. In 1931 property which had previously been included in this $800,000 was placed on the tax list separately at $295,000. The $800,000 figure was not reduced at that time. Hence, the total assessment of College property was increased by $295,000. In January of this year we were informed by the Selectmen that they had entered into an agreement with Dartmouth College accepting a base taxable figure of $1,000,000 in place of this $800,000 figure. The new figure of $1,000,000 is to be used through 1959, after which a complete survey is to be made of institutional buildings. The college property other than institutional buildings on the regular tax list has grown from the $295,000 assessment of 1931 to $825,000 in 1956.

In view of the heavy tax burden now on the community, the Finance Committee urges the Selectmen to continue to give attention to the tax status of Dartmouth College and Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital.

The Precinct Commissioners are working with the Planning

Board on a comprehensive plan for off-the-street parking. This will entail a bond issue, but the plan is not yet ready for any action on our part. However, it is expected to be in final form in the near future.

The Finance Committee has asked the three taxing bodies for a five year estimate of proposed expenditures so that they may be co-ordinated. The parking problem will be included in this study which the Committee hopes to undertake this spring.

A brief summary follows of the conclusions and recommendations of the Finance Committee on each budget.

School District

The proposed budget for 1957-58 includes expenditures for the new building, as class rooms are to be available in September, and the gymnasium in January. Consequently many related costs are up. Administration Expense of $19,135 is up 26% due to an additional Secretary, increased salaries, and cost of supplies.

The cost of Instruction, being well over half of the entire budget, is $271,141. This shows an increase of $46,208 or 20.5% over the 1956-57 budget. Although total expenditures for teachers' salaries were increased 12.4% for the current year over 1955-56, this budget includes another 16.5% increase in order to implement a revised and realistic teachers' salaries schedule. In addition, four new teachers are added to the staff making a total of 51 teachers, including principals. Although the cost of books, scholars' supplies, and general expenses under this heading increased somewhat, the great bulk of the increase, or $42,868 is in teachers' salaries.

Operation of School Plant percentage wise, is up 72% to $44,960. The enlarged school plant is responsible for much of the rise, notably the increase in fuel, water, electricity, and custodial care. Maintenance of the School plant is down somewhat. Fixed charges of $32,302 are up 50% due to retirement payments on increased salaries and added insurance on the expanded school plant.

Capital Outlay of $13,289 is composed of hard surfacing the new parking lot, new walks and lawns, and furniture and equipment not connected with the new building.

Debt and Interest Charges are more than doubled to total $66,640. The increase includes a $25,000 payment on the principal and $20,290 interest for the High School addition.

The total proposed expenditures are $497,017, an increase of $81,082, or 19.5% over the previous year. Receipts are expected to be up by $17,168 due largely to State Aid for the High School Building Addition (20% of the principal payment) and increased tuition. High School tuition is raised from $420 to $447 and Elementary school tuition from $272 to $292.

The amount to be raised by taxation to meet the proposed expenditures is $423,707, or an increase of 16.7%

This amount does not include $54,000 to be raised by a special article in the Warrant owing to a higher contract price for the school building construction than anticipated. Sufficient funds are not in hand to fully furnish the new High School addition. Considerable discussion took place as to whether the full amount should be raised at this time, whether it should be divided into two annual amounts, or whether to bond the District and pay over several years. The final decision was that the most economical procedure was to raise the full amount this year.

It was VOTED that the School District Budget and the Special Article to raise funds for equipping the new building be approved.

Village Precinct

A comparison of the 1956 budget with the actual expenditures shows a substantial overrun. This is not unusual as weather and other unexpected contingencies seem to upset the Commissioners' plans each year. The net overrun is $7,828 due largely to the highway department, although some occurred in administrative expense and sewer maintenance. The administrative expense was higher due to legal expense necessitated by the closing of College street and the issuance of bonds to finance the Lebanon Street project.

Highway expenditures were larger than anticipated owing to snow removal, the hauling of fill from Lebanon Street to cover the old dump and to build roads at the new dump for fire protection, reconstruction of streets and surfacing several new roads.

The proposed budget is for $216,865 which is an increase of $22,290 or 11.5% over last year. Among the more significant increases are payments on permanent indebtedness, $12,300; highway maintenance and improvements, $12,560; police department $2,560; general government $900; interest on indebtedness $600; and street lighting $500.

Increased salaries and wages throughout account for a large portion of the increase. In addition, more funds for snow removal, a large drain on South Main Street, a new truck and plow, are the larger items for the Highway department. The Police department has obtained electric speed timing and requests certain new radio equipment.

On the receipts side of the Precinct budget the Town is absorbing in its budget an increased amount of $22,135 and paying it over to the Precinct for maintenance of highway, police, fire, and dump services. This leaves only an increase of $3,343 to be raised by taxation over last year by the Precinct.

It was VOTED that the Village Precinct budget be approved, as presented.

Town Budget

The property tax for the Town will amount to $73,035. In addition to the $22,135 increase of Precinct expenses which the Town will absorb, there is a net increase of $12,457, for Town purposes. Again, increased wages is an item, along with $3,200 for extension of the Town Planning Board. For new equipment the Highway department wants $13,000 for a new shovel, which increases the equipment budget by $6,100.

The Etna Fire Association increased its budget $500; Howe Library is increased $800; the Cemeteries will need an additional $1,200 for salaries, maintenance, and equipment; old age assistance is a growing item, up $500; and we now have two municipal judges' salaries in place of one.

It was VOTED to approve the Town budget.

Summary

The estimated results of the proposed budgets on tax rates, with a four year comparison, are given below. The estimated 1957 rates are based on the 1956 Town valuation of $1,726,312 and a Precinct valuation of $9,360,781.

Unit	1953	1954	1955	1956	Estimate 1957
Town	.86	.63	.61	.68	.99
Precinct	1.07	1.25	1.31	1.42	1.45
School District	2.26	2.25	2.60	3.30	4.32*
Within Precinct	4.19	4.13	4.52	5.40	6.76
Outside Precinct	3.12	2.88	3.21	3.98	5.31

*Includes special article in Warrant

Hanover Public Debt

Description	Rate	Final	Outstanding
Fire Equipment Bonds (Town)	2⅞%	11-5-60	24 000
Grade School Bonds	1½%	9-1-70	177 000
Special Bond Issue for Schools	2.30%	8-1-65	37 000
High School Building Fund	3.1%	11-1-76	667 000
Sewer Notes	2.5%	9-1-64	24 000
Sewer Construction Bonds	1.75%	8-1-57	7 500
Fire Equipment Bonds (Precinct)	1.7%	5-1-61	22 000
Highway Equipment Bonds	2.25%	10-1-60	20 000
Highway Construction Bonds	2.5%	2-1-66	60 800
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Term expires 1958

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Term expires 1958

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HANOVER TOWN PLANNING BOARD

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

Hanover during 1956 has launched a major program for planning the future development of the community. The year saw the completion of much basic work: comprehensive surveys of present land use and traffic, evaluation of trends of growth and future prospects, and the forming of planning objectives. A comprehensive plan, in preliminary form, is before the Planning Board for review, and work has started on a number of programs designed to give effect to long-range planning: subdivision control, revised zoning, and business-district parking.

Most important, the community has been alerted to the problems of guiding its future growth and change, and the atmosphere of collaboration has been confirmed, strengthening the partnership between the Planning Board and other components of community life—the various branches of local government, the College and the Hospital, and business and civic interests.

The stage is set for a second year of achievement: refinement and adoption of a comprehensive plan, action on subdivision control and zoning revision, the launching of a large-scale parking development, and detailing for action other high-priority elements of the plan.

This report outlines in summary form the progress that has been made during the year from February 1, 1956, to January 31, 1957.

Planning Organization

The Planning Board is a continuing body, with rotating membership, the terms of the first members ranging from one to five years, with the Selectmen making a new five-year appointment each year. In May, 1956, the Selectmen appointed Earl C. Ward, who had served one year, to a new five-year term. At its annual meeting in May, the Board reëlected for one-year terms the officers named at the end of this report. During the year the Board has held twenty-five regular meetings (a minimum of four is required by state statute), and it is currently meeting every two weeks.

On February 15, 1956, Justin Gray assumed the post of Resident

Planner for the consultant firm of Adams, Howard & Greeley, and that date marks, effectively, the beginning of professional planning work in Hanover. A planning office was established in the Precinct Building, and the work of collecting data and preparing maps for the studies listed in this report got under way. Consultant planners John T. Howard, President of the American Institute of Planners, and Burnham Kelly of M.I.T. have made numerous visits to Hanover to direct the work and to meet with the Planning Board, and local work has been under constant supervision in the Cambridge office.

Much assistance has been given by the State Planning & Development Commission in Concord, particularly in administrative contacts with Washington, accounting, and the preparation and reproduction of base-maps; the services of Mary Louise Hancock, Assistant Planning Director, have been especially valuable. The planning staff has also made numerous visits to other state agencies.

During the summer the Hanover office employed two students—Robert Simha of M.I.T. and John Shenefield of Dartmouth—to help in land-use surveys, population and building trend analyses, and business premises and employment surveys.

In order to maintain close liaison with the Precinct Commissioners, the Board requested that they name an advisor, and James Campion has attended meetings of the Planning Board as a representative of the Precinct Commissioners since July, 1956. Paul F. Young, Assistant Treasurer, has continued to serve as a representative of the College.

Justin Gray's term as Resident Planner terminated on December 1, 1956. Though all concerned would have wished a reappointment, an opportunity for a more responsible position as member of a consultant firm in Cambridge could not be refused. The Planning Board wishes to record its warm appreciation to Justin Gray for the conscientious and able work which he did for the community.

Hanover was fortunate in the appointment by Adams, Howard & Greeley of Robert G. Emerson as Resident Planner to succeed Mr. Gray. Mr. Emerson, Dartmouth '42, received his professional planning degree from M.I.T. in 1949, has worked with the Cleveland and Fresno Planning Commissions and the Maryland National

Capital Park & Planning Commissions, and has served as the Resident Planner of Madison, N. J., and Manchester, N. H.

Planning Program

Following is a summary of progress during the past year in the various elements of Hanover's planning program.

1. *Maps.* Five new base-maps were completed for the Planning Board by Donald J. Jacobs, expert cartographer in the Concord office. Four show the Precinct and its environs at a scale of 200 feet to the inch. One is a map of the whole township at a scale of 1,000 feet to the inch. Made from the latest aerial photographs and checked by work in the field, these are the most accurate maps Hanover has had. On various copies, the results of special surveys are recorded. For detailed studies of the business district, a base-map at a scale of 50 feet to the inch was prepared in the Hanover office.
2. *Land-use study.* A comprehensive survey of all land in the township was made. Maps were prepared, of both Town and Precinct, showing in color the uses of land for various classifications of residential, institutional, business, industrial, farm and forest purposes. The trends and quantities of land use were analyzed, as a basis for determining future requirements as to area and location for each class of use.
3. *Population study.* In addition to analysis of past census data, an inventory has been compiled of employment in Hanover, and of the employment of Hanover residents. Very few Hanover residents work elsewhere. But a surprising 36% of the 2,817 persons employed in Hanover live outside of Hanover. Hanover's population in 1955 is estimated at 4,200, exclusive of college students. By 1970 it is expected to grow to about 5,500. This figure is believed to be below the middle of the probable range.
4. *Building study.* Trends in new construction and conversion have been analyzed over the past decade. In 1955 there were 1,240 dwellings in Hanover, of which 55% were one-family houses, 11% were two-family, and 34% were multi-family

dwellings. Of the total, 824 dwellings are in the Precinct, 416 are outside the Precinct. It is expected that Hanover will gain about thirty new families a year, on the average, for the next fifteen years; this is about the rate of growth over the past seven or eight years. This means a growth of about 450 dwellings by 1970. If more moderately-priced dwellings became available, we might expect an added influx of people who work in Hanover but do not now live here. These studies have a bearing on prospects for residential growth in various areas, and on development standards to be incorporated in zoning and subdivision controls.

5. *Traffic circulation.* Traffic counts have been carried out, and studies made of the flow of traffic movement. Mr. Arthur P. Miller and Mr. Harold G. Hersey, chief Design and Location engineers of the State Department of Public Works & Highways, made studies in Hanover last February. Automatic counters were loaned to Hanover by the State Highway Commission, to be read and analyzed by the planning staff, aided by Dartmouth students. The New Hampshire and Vermont highway offices were consulted.

 Future expressways with interchange points in Vermont and Lebanon may, if anything, decrease through-traffic in Hanover, and they will affect local traffic-flow. In general, studies indicate that while West Wheelock Street traffic from the Norwich interchange would increase markedly (it has already increased 59% from 1951 to 1956), traffic on So. Main Street from West Lebanon would remain about the same in volume (it increased only 5% from 1951 to 1956). Studies point to the need for a better connection from the Ledyard Bridge to the Hospital and to the Lyme Road northward; for improved intersections at Lebanon and South Park Streets, and at Lyme Road and North Park; and particularly for better local circulation through the business district on Main Street.

 Both state and local studies seem to confirm the opinion that there is not sufficient need to warrant a by-pass for through-traffic connecting West Lebanon Road and the Lyme Road.

6. *Parking.* A special committee under the chairmanship of John V. Neale, and with Ward Amidon, James Campion, Andrew J. Ferguson, Arthur Kiendl, and Mrs. Lawrence Morin as members, completed a 24-page report on the parking problem. Salient portions of this were published in the *Hanover Gazette* and *Valley News* of April 5, 1956. Certain of the minor recommendations of the report have already been put into effect by the Precinct Commissioners and Selectmen.

A significant beginning in improving the parking situation was made by the acquisition and demolition of the old Tavern Block by the Hanover Improvement Society. This will also permit improvement of the street intersection, better corner vision, and the eventual widening of West South Street. The Improvement Society was aided by the joint efforts of the Planning Board, the Precinct Commissioners, and the College.

But the major task remains to be accomplished. When work on the Hopkins Center gets under way, approximately 135 parking spaces on that site will be eliminated. In this connection, it should be understood that when the College made this site available, on October 5, 1936, for free public parking, it reserved the right to discontinue such use "at any time that the College has occasion to otherwise develop the property." That the College has given the community free parking on this property for twenty years does not constitute a continuing obligation. Nonetheless, in order to aid the community to meet a serious problem, as well as to comply with the provisions of a proposed zoning amendment (see section 7), the College has agreed to make a substantial contribution toward the development of large public parking areas, which will help to serve both the community and the new Hopkins Center.

The parking problems of the business district have been rather thoroughly studied, and the Board and the planning staff have drawn up a program for the development of large public parking areas, to be put into effect in several stages, over many years. These would cost a good deal of money.

The experience of other communities, and our own estimates of development, operating, and maintenance costs, indicate that

a very large proportion—though probably not all—of the costs of parking areas can be met by parking-meter income rather than added to the tax burden.

Many communities—though none so far in New Hampshire—have developed and operated parking areas through a local Parking Authority, empowered to issue bonds secured by parking-meter income. This at first seemed the best approach to the problem in Hanover, and on December 10, 1956, the Planning Board voted to approve the creation of a Parking Authority and recommended that the Precinct Commissioners request the introduction of a bill in the current session of the legislature for this purpose.

After further discussion, a joint meeting was held with the Precinct Commissioners on January 14, 1957, with the Precinct counsel, Mr. James B. Godfrey, in attendance. In the opinion of counsel, revenue-producing municipal improvements such as parking areas can be excluded from municipal debt-limit regulations, if the legislature so acts. For this reason, and other reasons pertaining to lower interest rates and operational convenience, it was agreed that the Board of Precinct Commissioners should serve as the developing and operating agency for public parking areas. A bill has accordingly been introduced in the legislature by Representative David J. Bradley with the support of Mrs. Elizabeth W. Hayward, Florimond Duke, and Robert S. Monahan. The bill would give the Precinct authority to finance the acquisition and improvement of sites for off-street parking facilities outside the normal indebtedness limits. Pending legislative enactment, Precinct voters will have an opportunity to vote at an adjourned Precinct meeting on the first major stage of Hanover's parking development.

The building of parking areas in congested districts is in a sense a remedial measure. The Planning Board has also recommended to the Precinct Commissioners a preventive measure, to minimize the parking problem as new construction spreads outward. This is discussed below under Zoning.

7. *Zoning.* The Planning Board has prepared and recommended to the Precinct Commissioners an amendment to the Precinct

Zoning Ordinance requiring new or expanded buildings or land uses to provide off-street parking facilities commensurate with their intended use. The requirement does not apply, because of existing high land coverage, to the business frontage on both sides of Main Street from Wheelock Street to South Street. Like all other zoning regulations, it does not apply to structures or land uses in existence or approved prior to the adoption of the ordinance. The intent of this amendment is to prevent the worsening of the parking problem as the town grows. A petition has already been presented to the Precinct Commissioners to hold a public hearing on this amendment.

Other aspects of the present zoning regulations have been studied, and the need established for a comprehensive revision, to be guided by the comprehensive plan when its land-use features have been crystallized. Some modifications of the Precinct code are strongly indicated, and a thorough revision of the Town code is needed, to protect existing houses and the new residential neighborhoods that may be expected to grow in coming years. These revisions remain to be studied in detail.

8. *Subdivision regulation.* A special committee, under the chairmanship of Edward M. Cavaney, and with Messrs. Francis R. Drury, Haslett Fullington, Dale Nelson, Richard W. Olmsted, and Norman Stevenson as members, studied the whole problem of subdivision regulation for a period of several months. It worked out reasonable standards for street design, lot platting, open spaces, etc. intended to insure efficient and attractive new neighborhoods and their effective relationship to already built-up areas. After review and approval of these regulations by the planning consultants and the Planning Board, they were published in the *Hanover Gazette* on December 6th, 1956, and further described in the issue of December 13th. Two public hearings were held, on December 17th, and January 7th, 1957. After giving consideration to ideas brought up in the public discussions, the regulations will be adopted by the Planning Board.

This is the only aspect of town planning, incidentally, in which the Planning Board has the power to adopt and to ad-

minister regulations, in accordance with the state Community Planning Act of 1949 and the Town vote of April 22, 1955. With respect to all other regulations and planning developments, such as streets, parking, zoning, etc. the Planning Board has only an advisory and recommending function. Subdivision regulations have been adopted in six New Hampshire communities: Concord, Dover, Newington, Greenland, Hampton, and Keene.

9. *Recreation.* An inventory of present recreational areas and facilities has been completed, together with a compilation of earlier proposals and a study of future requirements as to type of facility. Preliminary recommendations are in process of development as to the nature and location of needed future recreation areas.

10. *Institutional development.* The Planning Board has done a good deal of work during the past year in attempting to coördinate School and College development with overall planning patterns.

After discussions with the School Board and its consultant, Dr. Nikolaus Engelhardt, the Planning Board prepared a report on "Town Planning Factors in the School Problem," recommending to the School Board that new high school facilities be constructed on the present site rather than on Reservoir Road. This report was published in the *Hanover Gazette* and *Valley News* of May 17, 1956.

The proposed construction by the College of the new Hopkins Center posed many problems in the sphere of traffic flow and parking in Hanover's downtown area, particularly in connection with the desired closing of College Street between Lebanon and Wheelock Streets. Traffic-counter studies from April 6th on, and work with the consultant planners on circulation patterns, made it evident that College Street would not be a link in the major traffic-street pattern. The offer of the College to improve Crosby Street as an alternative to College Street for scanning-loop traffic, to provide off-street parking for cars owned by plant employees along Crosby Street, to provide new access to the power-plant and storehouse, and to

assist the community in developing big new public parking areas, as well as the great advantages to the community of the Hopkins Center, were all factors weighed by the Planning Board.

At the request of the Precinct Commissioners, the Board prepared an advisory report on the Hopkins Center-College Street problem, recommending the closing of College Street. This report was published in the *Hanover Gazette* of August 30, 1956. A public hearing was held by the Board of Precinct Commissioners on September 6th, 1956, in which Planning Board representatives participated. The Precinct authorities later came to a decision to close College Street, pursuant to certain conditions mutually agreed on with the College.

More general study has been given to other development plans of the College and the Hospital.

11. *Comprehensive plan.* All of the above studies have contributed to the preparation of the preliminary comprehensive plan which is now before the Planning Board. Study of this will begin at the meeting of February 11, 1957. This study—and later revision and redrafting—will be guided by certain basic policies and objectives of planning for Hanover, which may be summarized as follows:

General objectives:

(a) To provide for the healthy growth of the basic economic activities of the town, in order to support a good standard of living for its inhabitants.

(b) To provide a pleasant and convenient environment for the people of the town, including residential areas fitted to their varied needs, business and consumer services to meet their wants, and a proper level of public services such as schools, fire protection, utilities and recreation.

(c) To preserve and enhance the special qualities and atmosphere of Hanover as a traditionally small and attractive New England college town.

Development objectives:

(d) To enhance the efficiency and value of the large private and public investments in existing sound development.

(e) To guide new institutional and other major economic-activity growth in such a way as to assure free traffic circulation and accessibility and to avoid impairing present and future residential areas and the business center.

(f) To guide new residential development so as to provide a variety of housing types for different economic and family-size needs, with maximum opportunity for neighborhood social relationships and access to school and shopping.

Fiscal objectives:

(g) To increase the taxable resources of the town to the extent consistent with the above.

(h) To minimize the cost of providing tax-supported services and facilities to the extent consistent with the above.

Planning policies:

(i) To encourage the concentration of new residential development in areas most economically served by new road and utility extensions.

(j) To discourage residential construction and continued occupancy in scattered and inaccessible locations involving excessive costs for road maintenance, snow removal, and school transportation.

(k) To concentrate retail and business development in the present business district with such expansion as is necessary to provide maximum customer convenience and profitable operation, encouraging only a few minor convenience-centers in outlying locations.

(l) To collaborate with the College and the Hospital in assuring future flexibility for their growth and expansion.

(m) To preserve sites for possible future high-quality employment centers of an office, research, or similar character.

(n) To provide sites for location or relocation of service enterprises of a limited industrial character necessary to serve the community.

(o) To protect and enhance the natural resources of the town for their best use for agriculture, forestry, and recreation.

(p) To develop the minimum of additional miles of main

roads and streets necessary to provide for through traffic and circulation within the town.

These sixteen objectives, it may be seen, range widely through all aspects of community life and are by no means the exclusive province of the Town Planning Board. Planning, of one short or another, is a normal activity of many different agencies: governmental units, schools, institutions, businesses, groups and organizations, families and private individuals. These objectives, accordingly, might well be regarded as a credo for the community as a whole.

They do help define the general principles which the Planning Board accepts as its responsibility under Section 10, Chapter 53 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire (1942) which may be quoted in part: "It shall be the function and duty of any planning board established under the provisions of this chapter, to make and perfect from time to time . . . a master plan for the development of the municipality, including any areas outside of its boundaries which, in the planning board's judgment, bear relation to the planning of the municipality. Such master plan, with the accompanying necessary map, plats, charts and descriptive matter, may be designed with the intention of showing as fully as is possible and practical the planning board's recommendations for the desirable development of the territory, legally and logically within the scope of its planning jurisdiction . . ."

It should be clearly realized that a master plan is not something to be imposed on a community by a Planning Board. A Planning Board may approve and recommend a plan; it cannot put it into effect. With the exception of subdivision regulation, as mentioned in section 8 of this report, it is purely an advisory body. It does not have the power—or, needless to say, the money—to construct streets, enact zoning regulations, develop parking areas, build houses or stores or college buildings, sewers or parks or playgrounds. Only if its provisions and recommendations are adopted and implemented by the appropriate governing bodies can a master plan serve its intended purpose as a guide, over the years, toward efficient, attractive, and integrated community growth.

Future Program

The progress in planning studies made in less than a year has convinced the Planning Board of the great value of professional planning help. Yet the experience of other communities indicates that the making of a comprehensive plan requires a long time. Hartford, Vermont, for example, was foresighted in voting last spring a three-year planning program. Many of our studies have reached the stage when the laborious work of gathering and analyzing data is about to bear fruit in definite plans and programs. Other studies that might benefit the community have not even been started—on such problems, for example, as sewers, water supply, water pollution, public buildings, housing, and regional planning.

As far back as last August, the Planning Board anticipated the need for more time to carry on the job that ought to be done. Our contract with consultant planners Adams, Howard & Greeley was to terminate on December 9, 1956. It was our hope that professional planning work in Hanover could continue for another year or more, preferably until the March meetings next year, thus rounding out a three-year term from the first vote to establish a Planning Board in the spring of 1955. This, it seemed, would give time not only to build the ship but to launch it.

Discussions with the College revealed a similar hope, and the Dartmouth Trustees voted last fall to make an additional contribution to the Town of $3,000 for continued planning work. Through the coöperation of the State Planning & Development Commission, application was made to the Housing & Home Finance Agency in Washington for a matching grant. This was awarded by H-HFA in the form of an extension of the original program to July 8, 1957, with federal funds to match the College's contribution. This generous support will permit the continued employment of Adams, Howard & Greeley and the Resident Planner until that date.

The State Planning & Development Commission, which regards Hanover's program as perhaps the most successful in the state, has encouraged application for a continuation of the program from July 8 this year to as near the time of the March meetings next year as may be feasible. Tentative exploration between the State agency and the H-HFA indicates that such a program would probably be

eligible for further federal aid. The Board of Selectmen will accordingly request the Town at the March meeting to include in its budget the sum of $3,200 for this purpose. The Planning Board believes the work of the planning staff has been extremely valuable, and strongly recommends this continuation program.

Conclusion

During the past year Planning Board members and consultants have talked to the Business Men's Association, the League of Women Voters, the Dartmouth Savings Bank, the Rotary and Lions clubs. Radio station WTSL has broadcast information on the planning program. The Board expresses its appreciation to the *Hanover Gazette* and the *Valley News* for their active interest in planning matters. The publication of a score or more of news stories, and the full text of several Planning Board reports has helped greatly to inform the Hanover public on planning activities.

Officers of the Hanover Consumers Coöperative Society have communicated to the Board the results from 202 questionnaires indicating shopping habits and opinions as to retail location. A more comprehensive survey of public opinion on all aspects of planning was conducted by Prof. H. Wentworth Eldredge and 21 Dartmouth students in the Urban Sociology class. Reaching 10% of the check-list of registered voters, the opinions expressed by a representative group of Hanover citizens in this survey will be of considerable value to the Planning Board.

The Planning Board needs the active interest of Hanover citizens in planning problems. It welcomes your ideas, opinions, and suggestions. Only through active and intelligent citizen participation in the planning process can Hanover become the kind of town you want it to be.

Hanover Town Planning Board
Hugh S. Morrison, *Chairman*
John P. Amsden, *Vice-Chairman*
Edward M. Cavaney
Niles A. Lacoss
John V. Neale, *Treasurer*
Stuart J. Stebbins, *Secretary*
February 1, 1957 Earl C. Ward

OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF HANOVER

Moderator
EDGAR H. HUNTER

Town Clerk
L. LEROY BLODGETT

Selectmen
GORDON R. INGRAM (Term expires 1957)
NILES A. LACOSS (Term expires 1958)
FLETCHER LOW (Term expires 1959)

Town Treasurer
ETHEL C. BOND

Board of Health, Town District
FLETCHER LOW NILES A. LACOSS
GORDON R. INGRAM DR. REGINALD K. HOUSE
DR. PHILIP O. NICE

Auditors
LEROY G. PORTER LOUIS O. FOSTER

Tax Collector
L. LEROY BLODGETT

Highway Agent
FREDERICK R. HART

Supervisors
HARLEY H. CAMP FREDERICK S. PAGE
DAVID D. HEWITT

Library Trustees

HELENE H. POLAND (Term expires 1957)
ADNA L. CAMP (Term expires 1958)
PHOEBE S. STEBBINS (Term expires 1959)

Trustees of Trust Funds

FRANCIS V. TUXBURY (Term expires 1957)
CHARLOTTE M. BIELANOWSKI (Term expires 1958)
MAX A. NORTON (Term expires 1959)

Advisory Assessors Board

HALSEY C. EDGERTON (Resigned)
LEROY G. PORTER (Appointed—Term expires 1957)
WALTER H. TRUMBULL (Term Expires 1958)
NATHANIEL G. BURLEIGH (Term expires 1959)

Zoning Board of Adjustment

G. WESLEY LABOMBARD CARL L. SWEET
HARLEY H. CAMP MARTIN J. REMSEN
WALTER H. TRUMBULL

Fence Viewers

LEON G. HAYES ELMER DANA
CLIFFORD R. ELDER

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

MORRIS HAYES JOHN H. MINNICH

WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Grafton, SS Town of Hanover

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hanover in the County of Grafton, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Auditorium of the High School in said Hanover on Tuesday, the twelfth of March next, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, until 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon, unless otherwise voted, to act upon the following subjects:

First: To choose by Non-Partisan Ballot the following Town officers:

one Selectman for three years

one Town Clerk

one Treasurer

one Library Trustee

one Trustee of Trust Funds

Second: To hear the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Auditors, and other Town officers and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Third: To see if the Town will vote to approve the inclusion in the Town budget of an item covering the annual operating expenses of the Precinct Fire Department.

Fourth: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriation of the same.

Fifth: To elect by majority vote the following Town Officers:
two Auditors
one Member of the Advisory Assessors Board for three years
three Fence Viewers
two Surveyors of Wood and Lumber
other necessary Town Officers

Sixth: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Taxpayer a discount of 1½ per cent upon all taxes on real and personal property paid within fifteen days after the date of the tax bills, or on or before July 15—whichever is the later date.

Seventh: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the Town's obligations until the taxes are collected and paid into the Treasury.

Eighth: To transact any other business that legally may be brought before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this Twenty-sixth day of February in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred Fifty-seven.

FLETCHER LOW,
NILES A. LACOSS,
GORDON R. INGRAM,
Selectmen of Hanover

A true copy of the Warrant, attest.

FLETCHER LOW,
NILES A. LACOSS,
GORDON R. INGRAM,
Selectmen of Hanover

ABSTRACT FROM THE TOWN CLERK'S RECORDS

A legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Hanover, New Hampshire, was called to order by Edgar H. Hunter, Moderator, on March 13, 1956, at 10:00 A.M. in the auditorium of the High School Building.

The warrant was read by the Clerk, L. Leroy Blodgett.

Voted: That the polls be kept open until 6:00 P.M.

The following officers were elected by Non-Partisan Ballot:

Fletcher Low, Selectman, for three years
L. Leroy Blodgett, Town Clerk, for one year
Ethel C. Bond, Treasurer, for one year
Phoebe S. Stebbins, Library Trustee, for three years
Max Norton, Trustee of Trust Funds, for three years

Voted: That the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Auditors, and other Town Officers be accepted as printed.

Voted: That in addition to County, Highway, and regular Poll Taxes required by law, the Town raise the sum of twenty-seven thousand, eight hundred and eight dollars ($27,808.00) and appropriate said sum and all other money that may be paid into the Treasury, and which are not required by law otherwise to be expended, in accordance with the budget and report as presented by the Selectmen.

Voted: That the Selectmen be authorized to purchase in behalf of the Town of Hanover and the Etna Fire Department a 500 gallon pumper, or other pumper of substantially the same capacity. A tank truck of at least 500 gallons capacity, an electric alarm siren with suitable controls, all such apparatus to be built and equipped to equal or exceed the minimum standard established by the New Hampshire Board of Underwriters at a total cost not to exceed $30,500.00.

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed $30,500.00 to finance the cost of any fire fighting equipment the

purchase of which may be authorized at this meeting, and for this purpose to authorize the Selectmen to issue notes on the Town of Hanover to be paid over a five year period, $6,500 in 1956 and $6,000 annually during the next four years.

Voted: That the Town of Hanover endorse by vote a Constitutional Amendment reducing the size of the General Court so long as this is done proportionally.

Voted: That the Town of Hanover endorse by vote a Constitutional Convention Amendment making the legal changes in our State Constitution so that a graduated Income Tax would be constitutional if and when it were enacted by the General Court.

The following were elected by ballot:

Louis O. Foster and LeRoy G. Porter, Auditors, for one year

Nathaniel G. Burleigh, Member of Advisory Assessors Board, for three years

Leon G. Hayes, Elmer Dana and Clifford Elder, Fence Viewers, for one year

Morris Hayes and John Minnich, Surveyors of Wood and Lumber, for one year

Voted: That the Town allow the taxpayer a discount of one and one half (1½) percent upon all taxes on real and personal property paid within fifteen days after the date of the tax bills or on or before July 15th, whichever is the later date.

Voted: That the Selectmen be authorized to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the Town's obligations until the taxes are collected and paid into the Treasury.

Adjourned at 6:00 P.M. O'Clock.

L. Leroy Blodget
Town Clerk

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
WITH BUDGET COMPARISONS

	Budget 1956	Receipts 1956		Proposed Budget 1957
Balance, January 1, 1956	2 361		101 953 87	8 670
CURRENT REVENUE				
From Local Taxes				
Taxes Previous Years		5 657 80		
Poll Taxes Current Year	3 200	3 232 00		3 200
National Bank Stock Taxes	1 000	1 047 20		1 000
Timber Yield Tax	8 500	8 257 08		1 000
Head Tax	950	8 227 50		950
Property Taxes, Current Year for				
School	365 839	365 839 42		477 707
Precinct	132 760	132 760 00		136 103
County	31 751	31 751 45		32 000
Town	38 443	35 357 50		73 035
From State				
Railroad Tax	600	635 69		600
Savings Bank Tax	1 550	1 489 13		1 500
Interest and Dividends Tax	41 865	41 905 12		42 000
Town Road Aid	8 182	*7 198 41		8 161
Refund on Old Age Assistance		905 85		
Treasurer of U. S.—Civil Defense Radio	750	1 792 58		
From Local Sources—Except Taxes				
Town Nursing Service	1 100	1 185 48		1 150
Automobile Permits	23 000	26 251 73		26 000
Dog Licenses	1 100	1 127 17		1 100
Other Licenses	100	20 00		50
Municipal Court—Fines, Forfeits & Small Claims	1 400	1 936 10		2 000

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
WITH BUDGET COMPARISONS
(*continued*)

	Budget 1956	Receipts 1956		Proposed Budget 1957
Parking Fines	1 400	1 631 50		1 600
Precinct of Hanover—				
Secretary Fees	1 300	1 300 00		1 300
Town Clerk's Fees	2 000	2 478 15		2 400
Sale of Cemetery Lots	2 000	3 147 00		2 500
Cemeteries Miscellaneous	1 400	1 652 45		1 500
Trustee of Trust Funds	1 200	1 179 91		1 200
Accounts Receivable				
Previous Years	400	401 73		350
Accounts Receivable—1956		4 229 41		
Miscellaneous Accounts				
(Town Histories, etc.)		61 85		
Temporary Loans		60 000 00		
Fire Equipment Notes	24 000	24 000 00		
Dartmouth College—				
Planning Board Expense				3 000
Tax Sales Redeemed	2 219	704 07		529
Capital Reserve	2 500	2 500 00		
Social Security Refund	1 600	405 28		
(Payroll Deductions $837.71)				
TOTAL RECEIPTS			780 268 56	
	704 470		882 222 43	830 605

*Balance of allotment received in materials

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES WITH BUDGET COMPARISONS

	Budget 1956	Expenses 1956	Proposed Budget 1957
CURRENT EXPENSES			
General Government	25 170	24 342 92	24 445
Election and Registration	700	705 22	600
Legal Expense	75	104 94	100
Town Planning Board		181 00	6 200
Protection of Persons and Property			
Dog Account	400	706 10	700
Street Lights	450	451 84	580
Etna Fire Association	1 750	2 162 79	2 200
Police	4 250	4 250 00	7 500
Civil Defense ($896.29 Precinct share of refund on radio)	240	1 240 48	240
Precinct Fire Department	790	790 00	14 550
Precinct Dump	575	575 00	700
Pine Blister Rust	400	400 00	400
Other Accounts	750	566 79	750
Health (Including Vital Statistics)	7 065	6 437 70	5 650
Highways and Bridges	34 000	33 220 61	35 000
Etna Library	1 000	790 12	850
Howe Library	2 000	1 500 00	2 300
Charities	11 500	10 533 04	12 000
Patriotic Purposes			
Memorial Day	75	64 50	75
Flag Pole—Repairs & Insurance	175	186 61	20
Moving War Memorial		97 45	
Veterans' Grave Markers			280
Cemeteries	10 761	10 622 46	12 000
Tax Sales (Bought by Town)	2 219	2 219 27	529
Tax Refunds		117 76	
Interest	125	233 74	1 000
Total Current Expenses	104 470	102 500 34	128 669

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES WITH BUDGET COMPARISONS

(*continued*)

	Budget 1956	Expenses 1956		Proposed Budget 1957
NEW CONSTRUCTION AND PROPERTY				
New Culverts	1 000	2 135 93		1 000
New Equipment				
Highway Department	6 900	6 917 75		13 000
Fire Department	30 500	29 099 93		1 400
OTHER PAYMENTS				
Temporary Notes		60 000 00		
Town Road Aid	8 182	7 297 11		8 161
Accounts Receivable		4 619 36		
Dartmouth—Lake Sunapee Region	500	500 00		500
State Highway Appropriation (TRA)	1 068	1 067 27		1 065
Survey—Precinct Line	1 500			
Payment on Indebtedness				6 000
OTHER GOVERNMENT DIVISIONS				
County Tax	31 751	31 751 45		32 000
Precinct Tax	132 760	132 760 00		136 103
Precinct Highways	20 000	20 000 00		25 000
Head Taxes		9 626 00		
Schools	365 839	323 046 99		477 707
Total Expenses			731 322 13	
Balance due Schools			140 739 42	
Balance due State (Head Taxes)			1 491 00	
Balance, December 31, 1956			8 669 88	
Total	704 470		882 222 43	830 605

TAX DETERMINATION

General		
County Tax	32 000	
Highway Tax by Law	5 000	
By vote of Town		
General	68 035	
Overlay	6 000	
Total Town and County Tax		111 035

Village Precinct	136 103
School	423 707
Total Taxes inclusive of $6,000 overlay	670 845

TAX RATES

	1948	1953	1954	1955	1956	Est. 1957
Town	97	86	63	61	68	1 00
Precinct	92	1 07	1 25	1 31	1 42	1 45
School	1 77	2 26	2 25	2 60	3 30	4 31
Tax Rate within Precinct	3 66	4 19	4 13	4 52	5 40	6 76
Tax Rate outside Precinct	2 74	3 12	2 88	3 21	3 98	5 31

ASSESSMENT STATISTICS

	1956	Dist. No. 1	Town Dist.
	Land and Buildings	8 925 250	1 623 295
	Electric Plants	159 168	97 816
	House Trailers		4 300
20	Horses over two years old		1 140
351	Cows		19 040
204	Neat Stock over two years old		7 345
10	Sheep and Goats		55
75	Hogs over two per family		750
2600	Fowls over 50 per family		1 936
	Boats	628	1 937
	Gas Pumps and Tanks	3 525	1 800
	Stock-in-Trade	366 460	15 850
	Portable Mills	4 750	
	Wood and Lumber		5 148
		9 459 781	1 780 412
	Veterans' Exemptions	99 000	64 100
	Net Valuations	9 360 781	1 716 312
	GRAND TOTAL		11 077 093
	Number of Polls Listed at $2.00	1 276	455

ASSETS

Cash		
Balance from 1956		8 669 88
Balance due Schools		140 739 42
Balance due State—Head Taxes		1 491 00
Taxes not Collected		
1952	57 00	
1955	183 81	
1956	2 428 82	
		2 669 63
Accounts Receivable		389 95
Road Machinery and Tools		
Truck, International, No. 13	2 300 00	
Truck, International, No. 12	1 000 00	
Truck, International, No. 14	3 500 00	
Truck, International, No. 15	4 600 00	
Truck, Chevrolet Dump	2 500 00	
Tractor, Diesel, No. 3	400 00	
Austin-Western Grader, 99M	7 000 00	
Caterpiller, No. 33, Grader		
No. 20 Grader	100 00	
Snow Plow, Tractor	250 00	
Snow Plow, (Frink) Grader		
No. 3	1 400 00	
Snow Plow, (Good Roads),		
Truck No. 1	650 00	
Snow Plow, (Good Roads),		
Truck No. 2	650 00	
Welder (Arc)	500 00	
Two Sanders	75 00	
Gasoline Shovel and Truck	3 500 00	
Supplies	600 00	
Other Tools and Equipment	500 00	
1 Two way Field Radio (Forest Fires)	350 00	
		29 875 00
History of the Town of Hanover		50 00

Schedule of Town Property		
(Not including Trust Funds)		
Pine Knolls Cemetery	20 000 00	
Truck, Chevrolet ½ Ton Pickup		
(Cemetery)	1 000 00	
Other Cemeteries	2 000 00	
Gravel Bank, Reed	1 000 00	
Library Building, Etna	3 000 00	
Storehouse Property, Etna	5 000 00	
Storehouse, Pine Knolls Cemetery	2 000 00	
Storehouse, East Side	100 00	
Adams Farm	500 00	
Fire Station Property, Etna—Old	1 000 00	
Fire Station Property, Etna—New	9 500 00	
		45 100 00
Total Assets		228 984 88

TAX COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT
1956
L. Leroy Blodgett

Debits

	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	Total
Property Taxes				2 972 95	573 791 36	576 764 31
Poll Taxes			4 00		3 462 00	3 466 00
Bank Stock					1 047 20	1 047 20
Yield Taxes	63 00			116 40	1 754 61	1 934 01
Additions				100 00	290 90	390 90
Interest			14	29 82	42 80	72 76
	63 00		4 14	3 219 17	580 388 87	583 675 18

Credits

Property Taxes paid Treasurer				2 755 54	565 708 37	568 463 91
Poll Taxes paid Treasurer			2 00	236 00	3 232 00	3 470 00
Bank Stock paid Treasurer					1 047 20	1 047 20
Yield Taxes paid Treasurer	6 00				753 98	759 98
Int. paid Treasurer			14	29 82	42 80	72 76
Discount					6 131 68	6 131 68
Abatements			2 00	14 00	1 044 02	1 060 02
Uncollected				67 41	1 428 19	1 495 60
Uncollected Yield Taxes	57 00			116 40	1 000 63	1 174 03
	63 00		4 14	3 219 17	580 388 87	583 675 18

Tax Sales Redeemed

Received Tax Purchase Accounts	2 219 27
Received Interest on Above	7 38
Received Expense	5 50
	2 232 15
Paid Ethel C. Bond, Treasurer	704 07
Unredeemed Taxes at close of year	1 528 08
	2 232 15

L. Leroy Blodgett,
Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1956

— DR. —

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Original Warrant	11 020 00	
Added Taxes	255 00	
Total Commitment		11 275 00
Penalties Collected		37 50
TOTAL DEBITS		11 312 50

— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	9 840 00	
Penalties	37 50	
		9 877 50
Abatements		270 00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List		1 165 00
TOTAL CREDITS		11 312 50

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1955

— DR. —

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1956		705 00
Added Taxes During 1956		265 00
Penalties Collected During 1956		86 50
TOTAL DEBITS		1 056 50

— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer During 1956:		
Head Taxes	855 00	
Penalties	86 50	
		941 50
Abatements During 1956		115 00
TOTAL CREDITS		1 056 50

TREASURER'S REPORT

December 31, 1956

Balance on hand, January 1, 1956			101 953 87
Received from L. L. Blodgett			
Tax Collector	574 517 92		
Head Taxes	10 819 00		
		585 336 92	
L. L. Blodgett, Town Clerk			
Automobile Account		26 251 73	
Dog Account		1 127 17	
Fees		2 498 15	
Selectmen		21 094 56	
Nursing Service		1 185 48	
State			
Railroad Tax		635 69	
Savings Bank Tax		1 489 13	
Interest and Dividends Tax		41 905 12	
Municipal Court Fines		1 936 10	
Parking Fines		1 631 50	
Trustee of Trust Funds		8 677 01	
Capital Reserve		2 500 00	
Temporary Notes		60 000 00	
Six Year Notes		24 000 00	
			780 268 56
			882 222 43
Amount paid out as per			
Selectmen's orders		731 322 13	
Balance on hand			
December 31, 1956		150 900 30	
			882 222 43

ETHEL C. BOND,
Treasurer

EXPENDITURES DETAIL

	Expenses 1956
General Government	
Salaries and Expenses	14 896 03
Retirement	606 90
Postage, Printing, Telephone	1 631 57
Insurance and Bonds	268 80
Supplies and Equipment	724 00
Miscellaneous	75 28
Social Security (1955 and 1956) ($3,779.34 less payroll deductions of $1,409.41)	2 369 93
	20 572 51
Municipal Court	
Salaries	670 00
Miscellaneous	300 41
	970 41
Rent (Municipal Building)	2 800 00
	24 342 92
Election and Registration	
Salaries	368 00
Supplies and Printing	191 13
Miscellaneous	146 09
	705 22
Legal Expense	104 94
Protection of Persons and Property	
Dog Account	
Constable	261 35
Expenses	444 75
	706 10

Etna Fire Association	
Salaries and Janitor	336 50
Supplies and Repairs	371 95
Lights, Fuel, Insurance	700 74
Miscellaneous (Including boots and raincoats)	753 60
	2 162 79
Street Lights	451 84
Police	4 250 00
Precinct Fire Department	790 00
Precinct Dump	575 00
Civil Defense ($896.29 Precinct share of refund on radio)	1 240 48
Pine Blister Rust	400 00
Town Planning Board	181 00
Other Accounts (Including Fire Warden's Acct.)	566 79
	11 324 00
Health	
Vital Statistics	771 75
Milk Inspection	800 00
Health Officers	50 00
Other	38 96
Town Nurse	
Salary	3 793 85
Equipment and Supplies	80 97
Car Expense	558 10
Telephone	62 82
Clothing Allowance	92 25
Other (Retirement)	189 00
	6 437 70

Highways and Bridges	
General Expenditures	19 527 93
Snow and Ice	8 922 59
Employment Liability	851 22
Equipment	3 918 87
	33 220 61
Town Road Aid	7 297 11
State Highway Appropriation (TRA)	1 067 27
Libraries	
Etna	790 12
Howe	1 500 00
	2 290 12
Charities	
Old Age Assistance	5 858 72
Town Poor	2 649 56
Hospitalization	2 024 76
	10 533 04
Patriotic Purposes	
Memorial Day	64 50
Flag Pole—Repairs & Insurance	186 61
Moving War Memorial	97 45
	348 56
Cemeteries	
Salaries	7 585 20
General Maintenance	820 98
Supplies	242 30
Gas & Oil—Truck	250 93
Repairs of Truck	215 28
Mowers & Small Equipment: Repairs, Gas, etc.	520 17
Insurance	152 98

Miscellaneous	61 60		
Water Pipe—Dartmouth Cemetery	773 02		
	10 622 46		
Tax Sales (Bought by Town)	2 219 27		
Tax Refunds	117 76		
Interest			
Temporary Notes	233 74		
New Equipment			
Highway	6 917 75		
Fire Department	29 099 93		
	36 017 68		
New Culverts	2 135 93		
Payment on Indebtedness			
Temporary Notes	60 000 00		
Dartmouth—Lake Sunapee	500 00		
Accounts Receivable	4 229 41		
Balance to be collected	389 95		
	4 619 36		
Other Government Divisions			
County	31 751 45		
Precinct	132 760 00		
Precinct Highway	20 000 00		
Head Taxes	9 626 00		
Schools			
1955 Balance	97 946 99		
1956	225 100 00		
Total Expenses		731 322	13
Balance due Schools		140 739	42
Balance due State—Head Taxes		1 491	00
Balance December 31, 1956		8 669	88
TOTAL		882 222	43

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS FOR TOWN OF HANOVER

Common Trust Fund

Principal January 1, 1956		47 787 09
Add		
Dartmouth Cemetery Fund	1 015 00	1 015 00
		48 802 09

Income

Balance January 1, 1956		606 93
Add		
Interest—Dartmouth Savings Bank	861 94	
Interest—U. S. Government Bonds 2½%	500 00	1 361 94
		1 968 87

Expenditures

Ethel C. Bond Treasurer for Schools	182 03	
Ethel C. Bond Treasurer for Poor	5 58	
Ethel C. Bond Treasurer for Library	36 28	
Ethel C. Bond Treasurer for Cemeteries	1 138 05	1 361 94
Balance Income December 31, 1956		606 93

Reserve Principal Account

Timber Tax Reserve January 1, 1956	7 319 63	
Town of Hanover Equipment Reserve	2 500 00	
Precinct Equipment Reserve	525 95	10 345 58
Paid Precinct of Hanover During the Year	525 95	
Paid Town of Hanover During Year	9 819 63	
		10 345 58

Income and Expenditures

Precinct—Fire Equipment Reserve January 1, 1956	1 246 39	
Interest—Dartmouth Savings Bank	203 10	
	1 449 49	
Paid Ethel C. Bond Treasurer of Precinct	1 449 49	0 00
Timber Tax Reserve, January 1, 1956	177 47	
Paid Ethel C. Bond Treasurer of Town	177 47	0 00

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

	Principal	Balance of Income Last Year	Income for Year	Income Expended	Balance of Income End of Year
For Support of Schools	6 522 58	0 00	182 03	182 03	0 00
For Support of the Poor	200 00	0 00	5 58	5 58	0 00
For Care of Cemetery Lots	40 779 51	606 93	1 138 05	1 138 05	606 93
Library	1 300 00	0 00	36 28	36 28	0 00
	48 802 09	606 93	1 361 94	1 361 94	606 93

SUMMARY OF TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNT
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1956

Debits

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued		
1955-1956 Nos. 266442-266525	297 19	
1956-1957 Nos. 114160-116437	25 746 18	
1957-1958 Nos. 134351-134358	208 36	
		26 251 73
Dog Licenses Issued		
321 @ 2.00	642 00	
27 @ 2.50	67 50	
42 @ 5.00	210 00	
6 @ 5.50	33 00	
31 Miscellaneous	38 67	
10 Kennels	136 00	
		1 127 17
Fees to Town		
Filing Fees	3 00	
Town Clerk's Fees	1 046 25	
Vital Statistics	771 75	
Hanover Water Company	600 00	
Tax fees	60 15	
		2 481 15
Paid to Ethel C. Bond, Treasurer		29 860 05

HANOVER TOWN LIBRARY REPORT

for the

Year Ending December 31, 1956

This year, even more than others, we have relied largely on the visits of the Bookmobile for new reading material rather than purchasing many new books. This seems a happy solution for a small library with only a few regular borrowers.

A new granite step-up from the road to the library bank was installed in the Fall by Trumbull-Nelson and makes the approach to the library much easier.

This coming year the library will be open only on Saturday afternoons. As there have been but few visitors on Wednesdays it does not seem that this will be too great an inconvenience, and it will save money for heat and services.

Respectfully submitted,

PHOEBE STEBBINS,

HELENE POLAND,

ADNA CAMP,

Trustees of Hanover Town Library

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

January 1, 1956—December 31, 1956

From January 2, 1956 to December 29, 1956, the Town Library has been open one hundred and four days.

Three hundred and twenty-three adult books and four hundred and twelve juvenile books were loaned.

The Bookmobile has visited six times. One hundred and eighty-eight books were borrowed from the Bookmobile. One hundred and twenty-nine of these were loaned to our readers.

Some new books have been purchased. A goodly number of books were given by friends in Hanover and Etna; also by the Howe Library. Our grateful thanks to these donors.

LOANS

(Does not include Bookmobile books)	
Adult Fiction and Non-Fiction	323
Juvenile	412
Magazines	257
	992

Respectfully submitted,

Edith Greenwood,
Librarian

HANOVER MUNICIPAL COURT

Report for Year Ending December 31, 1956

A number of changes have been made in the municipal court during the past year. Judge Donald L. Stone retired on October 16, 1956 after many years of honorable service. At that time S. John Stebbins was appointed justice and Herbert W. Hill as special justice. Mrs. Sarah Naylor was named clerk of the court.

Motor vehicle cases represent the bulk of the business handled. However, one of the gravest responsibilities of the court is serving as the juvenile court for Hanover; and the number of these cases has increased markedly.

The statistics and financial statement of the work of the municipal court for 1956 follow:

Criminal Cases Involving Violations of State Motor Vehicle Laws and Local Motor Vehicle Ordinances:

Careless and negligent driving	9
Failure to display plates	11
Failure to observe "Stop" sign	8
Failure to stop on Officer's signal	4
Illegal parking	6
Improper registration	1
Leaving scene of accident	2
Misuse of plates	5
Operating after suspension or revocation of license	2
Operating on sidewalk	4
Operating overloaded truck	2
Operating to left of "Yellow line"	10
Operating under influence of liquor	5
Operating uninspected vehicle	26
Operating unregistered vehicle	18
Operating without furnishing proof of financial responsibility	1
Operating without owner's consent	2
Operating with inadequate brakes	3

Operating without license	7
Operating overwidth truck	1
Permitting improper person to operate	8
Reckless driving	6
Speeding and unreasonable speed	97
Throwing trash on highway	2
Unnecessary noise	5
	245

Criminal Cases Involving Violations of State Statutes and Local Ordinances other than Motor Vehicle:

Careless handling of firearms	1
Derisive words	1
Discharging Fireworks	1
Disorderly conduct	6
Drunk	13
Failure to pay parking ticket	1
False statement to obtain hunting license	3
Impersonating an officer	1
Lewd conduct	1
Malicious injury to property	4
Nonsupport	2
Obstructing an officer in line of duty	1
Petty larceny	5
	40

Receipts and Expenditures for Calendar Year 1956

Receipts

Town of Hanover:		
Fines and Bail Forfeitures	1 870 60	
Parking Tickets	1 631 50	
Civil Case Fees	65 50	
		3 567 60
New Hampshire State Fish and Game Commission		108 00
New Hampshire State Motor Vehicle Department—Fines		1 283 40
TOTAL RECEIPTS		4 959 00

Expenditures

Town of Hanover:		
Fines and Bail Forfeitures	1 870 60	
Parking Tickets	1 631 50	
Civil Case Fees	65 50	
		3 567 60
New Hampshire Fish and Game Commission		108 00
New Hampshire Motor Vehicle Department—Fines		1 283 40
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		4 959 00

Respectfully submitted,

S. John Stebbins,
Justice

THE ETNA FIRE ASSOCIATION

During the past year the Etna Fire Department made great strides forward with increased training, additional manpower and the addition of adequate equipment. As voted at the 1956 Town Meeting, two trucks and an alarm system were purchased. Also, we were unexpectedly given a Jeep fire truck, fully equipped, by Mr. and Mrs. John H. Minnich. This particular unit is especially valuable in farm or woods fires where water supply is dependent on deep wells, or is otherwise very limited.

With the new apparatus in service and approved by the New Hampshire Board of Underwriters, the Department is not only able to provide much better protection and service throughout its area, but to those people residing within two miles by road of the Etna station, a rate reduction in fire insurance premiums of approximately 30% became effective in October, 1956, as outlined in the following letter from the New Hampshire Board of Underwriters:

"

October 19, 1956

Mr. Howard J. Randall, Chief
Etna Fire Department
Etna, N. H.

Dear Howard,

It is my pleasure to report that I have discussed the present rate classification situation in Etna Village with members of our rating department. I have just completed a report which concludes, in a recommendation, that all dwellings within 2 miles by road of the Etna Village Fire Station be reclassified to an E-2 classification resulting in an approximate 30% reduction in fire insurance rates for your community. To the best of my knowledge, our rating department will accept my recommendation effective October 1, 1956.

I would like to take this opportunity to say that I feel that you and your group, including, of course, the Town officials as a whole, have made more progress in one year towards good fire protection for a small community, than any other

known community in the history of our records. We are grateful indeed to work with such cooperative people as yourselves and are sure that the good work will continue.

Cordially,
W. M. FIFE,
Engineer"

Fire calls in 1956 fortunately were few, with no loss of property except for one fire in the Goss District, in which a home was a complete loss. Miscellaneous calls included pumping out flooded cellars and contaminated wells.

During 1956, the Etna Department became a member of the National Fire Protection Association, and The Twin States Fire Districts Association. Also, it took part in the New Hampshire Firemen's Association Convention which was held in Lebanon.

Several of our officers and men attended a Fire School held in White River Junction, Vermont. This school consisted of fifteen weeks of classes, covering many phases of theoretical and practical fire fighting. Regular department drills during the year included several joint drills with the Hanover Fire Department, and it is hoped that this year will also include joint drills with the Lebanon Department. These joint drills work out to mutual advantage in better knowledge of the men and equipment, which either department might call on in event of need.

The program of annual physical examinations, started in 1955, in conjunction with the Hanover Department, were continued, with all men being examined receiving a tetanus booster, in addition to a thorough check-over, so that each man might know his own physical limitations, if any.

On Halloween night, the Department held a party for the children of Etna and Hanover Center, with rides on the trucks and refreshments of cider, doughnuts and apples.

The department wishes to express its appreciation to the voters of the town for its expression of confidence in making it possible for us to obtain our new apparatus. We will do our utmost to continue to merit that confidence. We also express our appreciation to Mr. W. H.

Trumbull for his generosity in having the doors and exterior woodwork of the station painted.

A word of reminder to all is that prevention of fire is the best and least expensive extinguishing agent. However, should fire occur, *first* be certain that all persons are out of the building, then call the fire department. After that use such facilities as are available to hold the fire in check until the arrival of the fire department. A wise precaution is to have a garden hose and fire extinguishers handy for emergency use. To reach the fire department, phone Hanover 540.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD J. RANDALL,
Chief

ARTHUR W. GERSTENBERGER,
Secretary

AUDITORS' REPORT

Hanover, New Hampshire
January 30, 1957

We have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Judge of the Municipal Court, and Trustees of Trust Funds for the year ending December, 1956, and find them correct with disbursements supported by appropriate vouchers.

Louis O. Foster,
Leroy G. Porter,
Auditors

MARY HITCHCOCK MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

During the year January 1, 1956 through December 31, 1956, the Hanover Free Bed Fund in the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Hanover, New Hampshire, has rendered 66 days' service to 6 residents of the Town of Hanover.

The portion of Free Bed Funds allotted by the Trustees this year was $1,000.00. In addition, the Town of Hanover made cash payments in the amount of $530.66, making the total allotment $1,530.66.

The charges at the minimum hospital rates for services rendered to these patients during the period amounted to $1,249.36, leaving an unused balance of $281.30 at the end of the year.

William L. Wilson,
Administrator

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

January 1, 1957

During 1956 we were fortunate in having no serious forest fires in Hanover. In view of the severe fire danger during the dry summer period, this absence of fires may be attributed in large part to excellent cooperation in fire prevention by both residents and visitors of Hanover.

Several investigations were made due to reported smoke which was caused by persons burning without a permit. One call was caused by a person burning grass with a permit, but who failed to keep the fire under control. We want to again call your attention to the fact that costs of investigation and/or suppression of such fires are billed to the party responsible, as specified in New Hampshire laws, which state, "Any person causing or kindling a fire without permit of the forest fire warden, when such permit is required, and any person by whose negligence or the negligence of his agents any fire shall be caused, shall be liable in a civil action for the payment to the

town, or the state or both, of the expenses incurred by the forest fire warden or deputy warden in attending or extinguishing such fire." Some of the conditions for burning as printed on the permit form are:

> Permit is null and void if help and equipment are inadequate to control fire,—if fire escapes from control, no exemption is implied by the permit from liabilities for payment of damage to property of another, payment of suppression costs to the town and/or prosecution for failure to comply with regulations.

Your cooperation in obtaining permits for incinerators, and in complying with requirements for proper usage of such incinerators is appreciated; although not all users of incinerators have obtained the required permits, more incinerator permits are being issued each year, and, more important, many more people are indicating their interest and desire to obtain and use safer types of incinerators.

Your warden and deputy wardens thank you for your excellent cooperation in fire prevention and your reporting to us of any questionable smoke. With continued cooperation of this type, we look forward to another relatively fire free year in 1957.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD J. RANDALL,
Forest Fire Warden

WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST CONTROL
TOWN OF HANOVER
1956

Financial Statement

Town Funds Expended	393 60	
Cooperative funds expended	244 76	
Total Expended		638 36
Received from Town	400 00	
Expended from Town Funds	393 60	
Balance due Town		6 40
Area Worked	852 Acres	
Currant and Gooseberry Bushes Destroyed	4 879	

WILLIAM H. MESSECK, JR.,
State Forester

REPORT OF TOWN NURSE

December 31, 1956

I made a total of 1,345 visits during the year 1956. These visits included:

Crippled Children	3
Post Natal	57
Children under 1 month	66
Children over 1 month	8
Pre-School Children	13
School Children	8
Adult	1 142
Persons not at home	48

866 visits were for nursing care. Of these visits

590 were full fee
56 free
121 Old Age Assistance (Paid by State)
99 Health Conferences

The above visits do not include Polio Clinics which were held on February 3, July 11 and August 14, 1956. Also Blood Bank which was held March 8, May 2 and November 7, 1956 were not included. I went to Concord, N. H., on February 9th to speak at the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Cancer Society about my six weeks' experience at the Memorial Hospital, New York City. I also attended the Rural Health Conference in Concord, N. H., April 18th, the Mental Health Conference in Lebanon on May 9th and the Governor's Conference on the Aged on November 28th.

I took one patient to the State Hospital in Concord and one patient to a nursing home in Haverhill, N. H.

I received $5.00 from the Woman's Club (deposited in the Visiting Nurse Gift Fund) and $25.00 from Mr. Bull in Etna, the latter to be used for a family in Etna if possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Patten, R. N.,
Visiting Nurse

FIFTY-SIXTH

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

OFFICERS

OF THE

VILLAGE PRECINCT

OF

HANOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31,

1956

OFFICERS OF THE PRECINCT OF HANOVER

Moderator
DONALD L. STONE

Clerk
I. N. BIELANOWSKI

COMMISSIONERS
JAMES CAMPION, JR. (Term expires 1957)
MARTIN L. LINDAHL (Term expires 1958)
GORDON H. GLIDDON (Term expires 1959)

Treasurer
ETHEL C. BOND

Building Inspector
FRANCIS R. DRURY

Auditor
LOUIS O. FOSTER

Park Commissioner
DONALD L. STONE
(Term expires 1958)

FIRE DEPARTMENT
CARLTON H. NOTT, *Chief* — SYDNEY C. HAZELTON, *1st Asst.*
ALBERT P. STEWART, *2nd Asst.* — ROBERT B. BARWOOD, *Capt.*

Lieutenants
GERALD WHEELER — LEWIS H. LAMBERT
JOHN RAND

POLICE DEPARTMENT
ANDREW J. FERGUSON, *Chief* — ROLAND M. LEE
DENNIS J. COONEY — RALPH J. PROVENCHER
BENJAMIN THOMPSON, JR.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT
Milk Inspector and Health Officer
DR. REGINALD K. HOUSE — DR. PHILIP O. NICE, *Asst.*

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
FRANK M. MORGAN, *Chairman*
KENNETH C. DIMICK, *Clerk*
LEWIS BRESSETT — FRED F. PARKER
EDWARD S. BROWN

WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Grafton, SS. Town of Hanover

To the inhabitants of the Village Precinct, in the Town of Hanover, in the County of Grafton, in the State of New Hampshire; qualified to vote in Precinct affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Auditorium of the High School Building, in said Village, on Thursday, March 14, 1957, at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to act upon the following subjects:

First: To choose by ballot a Moderator to serve for one year.

Second: To choose by ballot a Clerk to serve for one year.

Third: To hear the report of the Precinct Commissioners, Treasurer, Auditor, and other Precinct Officers, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Fourth: To raise such sum of money as may be necessary to defray Precinct expenses for the ensuing year according to the proposed budget for 1957, and make appropriation of the same.

Fifth: To choose by ballot a Treasurer and an Auditor, each to serve for one year; and one Precinct Commissioner to serve for three years.

Sixth: To hear the report of the Precinct Study Committee created by vote of the 1956 Precinct meeting and take any action relating thereto.

Seventh: To see if the Precinct will vote to allow the taxpayer a discount of 1½ per cent upon all Taxes, on real and personal property paid within fifteen days after the date of the tax bills, or on or before July 15, 1957, whichever is the later date.

Eighth: To see if the Precinct will vote to authorize the Precinct Commissioners to borrow such sum of money as may be necessary to meet the Precinct obligations until the Taxes are collected and paid into the Treasury.

Ninth: To see if the Precinct will vote:

1. To authorize the Precinct Commissioners to acquire and improve sites for off-street parking facilities.

2. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to finance the acquisition and improvement of sites for off-street parking facilities, and for this purpose to authorize the Precinct Commissioners to borrow some part or all of such sum and to issue notes or bonds of the Precinct under and in accordance with the provisions of the Precinct charter and the Municipal Finance Act, so-called, as amended, and whether there shall be delegated to the Precinct Commissioners the discretion of fixing the date, maturities, denominations, the interest rate or discount rate in the case of notes, the place of payment, the form and other details of said bonds or notes, and of providing for the sale thereof.

3. To take any other action incidental to the foregoing.

Tenth: To transact any other business that legally may be brought before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 27th day of February, 1957.

GORDON H. GLIDDON,
MARTIN L. LINDAHL,
JAMES CAMPION, JR.,
Commissioners

A true copy of the Warrant, attest,

GORDON H. GLIDDON,
MARTIN L. LINDAHL,
JAMES CAMPION, JR.,
Commissioners

Hanover, New Hampshire
March 14, 1956

A meeting of the voters of the Village Precinct of Hanover, New Hampshire, was called to order at 7:30 P.M. in the Auditorium of the High School Building.

The Warrant was read by the Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Donald L. Stone was elected Moderator for a term of one year.

ARTICLE 2. I. N. Bielanowski was elected Clerk for a term of one year.

ARTICLE 3. *Voted*: That the Precinct report as printed, including the reports of the Commissioners, the Treasurer, the Auditor and other Precinct Officers be accepted.

ARTICLE 4. *Voted*: That the Village Precinct of Hanover raise the sum of One Hundred and thirty-two thousand, seven hundred and sixty dollars ($132,760) and appropriate said sum and all other moneys which may be paid into the Treasury, to defray the expenses of the Precinct for the year ending December 31, 1956, according to the budgets and reports as presented by the Commissioners, including an item of $1,700 from Fire Equipment Reserve.

ARTICLE 5. (a). Ethel C. Bond was elected Treasurer for a term of one year.

(b). Louis O. Foster was elected Auditor for a term of one year.

(c). Gordon H. Gliddon was elected Precinct Commissioner for a term of three years.

ARTICLE 6. *Voted*: By standing vote that the Precinct Commissioners be authorized to borrow five thousand five hundred dollars ($5,500) on a short term loan for one year to pay for one-half of the expense of a new power shovel which is being purchased during the 1956 tax year at a cost of eleven thousand dollars ($11,000) as shown in the Precinct budget under New Equipment for the Highway.

ARTICLE 7. *Voted*: That the Precinct allow the Taxpayer a discount of 1½ percent upon all taxes on real and personal property paid within fifteen days after the date of the tax bills or on or before July 15, 1956, whichever is the later date.

ARTICLE 8. *Voted*: That the Village Precinct Commissioners be authorized to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the Precinct obligations until the taxes have been collected and paid into the Treasury.

ARTICLE 9. (Other business) (a). On motion of George H. Colton, duly seconded, and discussed, it was voted that "the Moderator of the Village Precinct of Hanover appoint a committee of seven members to study the question of whether the affairs of the Precinct might be more advantageously administered under a single Town governmental organization, such committee to make report of its findings to the annual meeting of the Precinct in March 1957 or to a special meeting of the Precinct before that date, should such meeting be called by the Precinct Commissioners."

(b). *Voted*: To adopt the following resolution:

"Be it resolved: That the citizens of Hanover at meeting assembled, record their appreciation for the conscientious service of Lionel H. Jones to this community for a period of forty years. During these four decades he was first Chief of Police, then Truant Officer and Highway Superintendent until his resignation in 1947. Since that time he has served as Consultant to the Commissioners in highway matters.

This period of service has seen the highway system of the Precinct develop from a series of mud holes to one of hard surface with pot holes, but be it to Lonnie's credit, these have largely given way to more permanent construction. These conditions, together with too little and often inadequate equipment, but seem to emphasize the handicaps under which he and his crew have had to work in order to bring about these accomplishments.

His unselfish devotion to his job, his willingness and ability to operate within the frugal limitations of our economy and his interest and participation in all aspects of community affairs, have won for him the respect and affection of the entire community."

"Be it further resolved: That this resolution be entered upon the records of this meeting."

(c). There being no further business it was *Voted* to adjourn the meeting—(9:45 P.M.)

I. N. Bielanowski,
Clerk

CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	1956	1957
Current Assets		
Cash on Hand		
General	1 758 85	1 573 29
Accounts due Precinct		
Miscellaneous Accounts 1943		
(Maps on Consignment)	6 40	6 40
Miscellaneous Accounts 1950	279 50	279 50
Miscellaneous Accounts 1951	47 50	12 00
Miscellaneous Accounts 1952	17 78	
Miscellaneous Accounts 1955	2 026 51	113 90
Miscellaneous Accounts 1956		2 107 09
Materials and Supplies		
(Schedule A)	1 899 25	1 349 00
	6 035 79	5 441 18
Liabilities		
Notes Outstanding (Schedule B)	111 500 00	154 800 00
Excess of Liabilities over Current Assets	105 464 21	149 358 82
Capital Reserve Account		
Reserve for Fire Equipment	1 772 34	
Sewer Construction Fund		
Cash Balance	4 424 77	4 424 77
Highway Bonds for Lebanon Street Project		
Cash Balance		60 943 26
	6 197 11	65 368 03

SCHEDULE OF PRECINCT PROPERTY

	1956	1957
Land and Buildings		
Municipal Buildings and Apartments, including land	77 000 00	77 000 00
Storehouse and Sand Shed, including land	7 500 00	7 500 00
Gould Farm	4 000 00	4 000 00
Sand Bank, Record Farm	2 700 00	2 700 00
Hall House	3 600 00	3 600 00
Gile Land	3 300 00	3 300 00
Furniture and Apparatus		
Municipal Building Equipment	2 000 00	2 000 00
Fire Department Equipment (Schedule C)	54 850 00	50 150 00
Fire Alarm System	8 893 00	8 893 00
Highway Department Equipment		
(Schedule D)	42 514 00	46 570 00
Police Department Equipment		
(Schedule E)	4 868 50	6 093 50
Sewer Department		
East Side Sewer	95 870 00	99 167 29
River Ridge	11 772 00	11 772 00
Storrs Road	4 452 00	4 452 00
Carter Street	2 376 00	2 376 00
Other		
Hanover Water Works Company	42 500 00	42 500 00
	368 195 50	372 073 79

RECEIPTS 1956 WITH BUDGET COMPARISONS

	Budget 1956	Receipts 1956	Proposed Budget 1957
Town of Hanover			
Precinct Tax	132 760	132 760 00	136 103
Highway Tax	20 000	20 000 00	25 000
Police Services	4 250	4 250 00	7 500
Fire Services	790	790 00	14 550
Dump Services	575	575 00	700
Refund from State—Lebanon St. Project	2 253		3 085
State Aid			3 040
Milk Licenses	50	49 00	50
Taxi Licenses	60	75 00	60
Bicycle Plates	60	19 50	75
Sale of Maps	25	16 50	
Entertainment Licenses	500	503 00	500
Police Fees	230	213 00	215
Fire Department—Outside Fires		2 90	
Money Borrowed for Shovel	5 500	5 500 00	
Sale of Gravel		71 40	
Rentals			
Municipal Building	2 800	2 800 00	2 800
Municipal Apartments	1 500	1 542 00	1 700
Hall Apartments	840	847 50	1 000
Gould Farm	600	600 00	600
Sale of Old Equipment and Junk		149 53	
Use of Equipment		49 00	
Refund from Civil Defense	750	896 29	

RECEIPTS 1956
WITH
BUDGET COMPARISONS
(Continued)

	Budget 1956	Receipts 1956	Proposed Budget 1957
Sewer	2 000	2 388 49	2 200
Dividends and Hydrant Rentals			
Hanover Water Works Co.	2 550	2 550 00	2 550
College Water Rent	1 950	1 862 38	1 850
Hospital Water Rent	200	196 04	200
Unclassified			
Retroactive Social Security (Payroll Deductions $959.83)		153 91	
Tax Refund on Fire Truck		163 25	
Reserve for Fire Equipment	1 700	1 975 44	
Highway Bonds for Lebanon St. Project		60 943 26	
Parking Meter Account	8 500	9 338 84	9 000
Loans			
Temporary		110 500 00	
Accounts Receivable			
Miscellaneous—1956		15 645 22	2 107
Miscellaneous—1955	2 027	1 912 61	115
Miscellaneous—1952	18	17 78	
Miscellaneous—1951	48	35 50	12
Miscellaneous—1950	280		280
Balance from Previous Year	1 759	1 758 85	1 573
	194 575	381 151 19	216 865

DISBURSEMENTS 1956 WITH BUDGET COMPARISONS

	Budget 1956	Expenses 1956	Proposed Budget 1957
General Government			
Administration	4 450	5 167 84	4 800
Printing, Postage, and Telephone	550	780 77	750
Legal	500	982 07	750
Other	100	265 73	200
Changing Service, P.O., Leb. St. Project		832 04	
Lebanon St. Bonds to Savings Bank		60 943 26	
	5 600	68 971 71	6 500
Social Security ($2,317.39 less payroll deductions of $985.58)		1 331 81	1 000
Police Department			
Regular Service	19 750	19 853 20	21 900
Special Service	800	892 61	1 000
Insurance	500	460 28	500
Transportation	900	982 13	1 100
Uniforms	1 000	1 049 04	900
Postage, Telephone, & Telegraph	400	495 82	400
Bicycle Plates	140		75
Traffic Signs and Marking Streets	1 000	817 18	850
Other	400	410 24	725
	24 890	24 960 50	27 450

DISBURSEMENTS 1956
WITH
BUDGET COMPARISONS
(Continued)

	Budget 1956	Expenses 1956	Proposed Budget 1957
Fire Department			
Services	12 000	11 529 59	12 000
Equipment: Repairs & Replacements	1 000	821 55	1 000
Alarm System Maintenance	200	419 91	200
Supplies	300	165 22	300
Insurance	800	870 10	900
Other	350	424 08	350
	14 650	14 230 45	14 750
Fire Hydrant Rentals	12 000	11 711 98	12 000
Health and Sanitation			
Services—Health Officer	200	200 00	200
Dump	3 380	3 586 60	3 500
Other	125		125
	3 705	3 786 60	3 825
Sewer Department	1 000	1 882 73	1 500
Highway Department			
Roads and Sidewalks			
Ordinary Maintenance	24 000	23 820 69	25 500
New Roads and Drains	6 000	5 715 38	10 000
Reconstruction and Surfacing	3 040		5 000
Oiling	4 000	5 672 13	4 000
Snow Removal and Sanding	6 000	7 977 30	8 000
Equipment: Repairs & Replacements	2 500	6 978 95	4 000

DISBURSEMENTS 1956 WITH BUDGET COMPARISONS (Continued)

	Budget 1956	Expenses 1956	Proposed Budget 1957
Storehouse, Sand Shed, & Sand Bank	300	227 40	300
Supplies	1 500	4 110 05	3 000
Insurance	1 600	1 377 95	1 600
Other	200	335 30	300
	49 140	56 215 15	61 700
Street Lighting	9 500	9 166 26	10 000
Meters			
Maintenance and additions	1 200	1 482 45	500
Dartmouth National Bank— Services	400	400 00	400
Marking		400 00	400
	1 600	2 282 45	1 300
Municipal Building			
Services and Supplies	2 500	2 563 03	2 600
Repairs and Betterment	500	373 13	500
Heat, Light, and Power	1 400	1 449 32	1 450
Insurance and Sewer	400	467 37	400
Other	50		50
	4 850	4 852 85	5 000
Municipal Apartments			
Services and Supplies	125	81 30	125
Repairs and Betterment	300	60 50	300
Heat	1 000	961 76	1 000
Other	75	136 36	75
	1 500	1 239 92	1 500

DISBURSEMENTS 1956 WITH BUDGET COMPARISONS (Continued)

	Budget 1956	Expenses 1956	Proposed Budget 1957
Gould Farm	500	438 78	300
Hall Apartments			
Repairs	300	246 47	300
Insurance, Water, Sewer	100	67 25	100
	400	313 72	400
Interest on Indebtedness	4 000	3 908 75	4 600
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES	133 335	205 293 66	151 825
Work for Outside Parties			
Accounts Receivable			
Miscellaneous—1956		15 645 22	
Balance to be collected		2 107 09	
		17 752 31	
New Equipment			
Police Department	800	1 002 57	2 000
Fire Department ($163.25 refund on tax in receipts)	2 700	2 810 18	700
Highway Department	11 000	11 000 00	6 800
	14 500	14 812 75	9 500
Sewer Construction	3 500	3 297 29	2 500
Civil Defense	240	45 15	240
Care of Precinct Trees	5 000	4 876 74	5 000
Payment on Indebtedness			
Temporary	17 500	113 000 00	15 000
Other	20 500	20 500 00	32 800
	38 000	133 500 00	47 800
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		379 577 90	
Balance Forward		1 573 29	
	194 575	381 151 19	216 865

PARKING METER ACCOUNT

1956

Owed Dual Parking Meter Co. for 36 new meters		2 115 00
Paid on Account	180 00	
Credit on old coin boxes	67 60	
		247 60
Amount due Dual Parking Meter Co.		1 867 40
To be paid at rate of $72 per month.		
Receipts		
Received		9 518 84
Paid Dual Parking Meter Co.	180 00	
Expenses	2 282 45	
		2 462 45
Net Profit on Meters		7 056 39
Expenses		
Inspecting and Repairs		171 37
Dartmouth National Bank		400 00
Training Officer Cooney		170 85
Dual Parking Meter Co. (Cleaning and repairing balance of meters)		436 82
Marking Parking Spaces		400 00
Setting up meter shop in Precinct Building		266 79
Meter posts and installation of meters on Lebanon St.		436 62
		2 282 45

SEWER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Received from Sewer Bonds			37 534 64
Expenditures—1952:			
Conant Road	285 24		
Carter Street	2 375 86		
Storrs Road	4 452 20		
Rip Road	14 224 38		
River Ridge	9 132 25		
		30 469 93	
Expenditures—1953:			
River Ridge		2 639 94	
			33 109 87
Balance, December 31, 1956			4 424 77

SCHEDULE A

Materials and Supplies

Tar and Asphalt	114 00
Salt	375 00
Drain Pipes	400 00
Grease and Oil	135 00
Other Supplies	325 00
	1 349 00

SCHEDULE B

Bonds and Notes Outstanding

F. W. Horne and Company	
East Side Sewer Bonds	24 000 00
Fire Equipment Bonds	22 000 00
Sewer Notes	7 500 00
Highway Equipment Bonds	20 000 00
Highway Bonds for Lebanon St. Project	60 800 00
Dartmouth National Bank Notes	20 500 00
	154 800 00

SCHEDULE C

Fire Department Equipment

Maxim Pumper No. 1	7 500 00
Maxim Pumper No. 2	10 500 00
Chevrolet Triple Combination No. 3	1 900 00
Ford Tank	100 00
Portable Pump	50 00
Station Wagon	1 800 00
Trailer	100 00
Hose Dryer	200 00
Fire Hose, Extinguishers, Rubber Coats, Hats, Boots and other equipment	3 500 00
Maxim Aerial Ladder Truck	24 500 00
	50 150 00

SCHEDULE D

Highway Department Equipment

Elgin Sweeper	6 000 00
Hough Payloader	11 000 00
Austin Grader	9 000 00
Sicard Snow Loader	9 000 00
Truck, Reo 1934 No. 1	200 00
Truck, GMC 1955 No. 2	3 500 00
Truck, GMC 1941 No. 3	350 00
Truck, Chevrolet 1947 No. 4	400 00
Truck, Chevrolet 1949 No. 5	650 00
Truck, Chevrolet 1936 No. 6	100 00
Truck, Chevrolet 1950 No. 7	300 00
Truck, Chevrolet 1947 No. 8	400 00
Cletrac Tractor, 1933 No. 1	100 00
Cletrac Tractor, 1939 No. 2	150 00
Ford Tractor, 1948 No. 3	400 00
2 Chip-It-Over Sanders	150 00
2 Winter Sanders	50 00

2 Truck Plows		450 00
2 Sidewalk Plows		100 00
2 Old Road Machines		10 00
Tarvia Mixer		5 00
Steam Boiler and Truck		200 00
Wheel Dray		50 00
2 Pavement Plows		50 00
Air Compressor		60 00
Paint Sprayer		10 00
Ditch Pump		65 00
2 Loaders		400 00
Tar Pot		50 00
Mowing Machine		100 00
Road Hone		100 00
Zone Line Marker		20 00
Set Sewer Rods & Truck		650 00
Small Road and Shop Tools	2	500 00
	46	570 00

SCHEDULE E

Police Department Equipment

5	Pair Peerless Handcuffs		50 00
1	Reising Sub-Machine Gun		50 00
1	Winchester Shot Gun 16 in. Barrel		20 00
5	Colt Police Service Revolvers		250 00
200	Rounds of .45 Cal. Tracer Ammunition		8 00
1	Sickening Gas Grenade		12 50
4	Tear Gas Grenades		50 00
1	1957 Chevrolet Patrol Car	2	500 00
1	Underwood Typewriter		100 00
2	Gas Lanterns		15 00
1	Police Short Wave Receiver		100 00
	Uniforms		500 00
1	Tape Recorder		60 00
1	Radio Transmitter	1	260 00

1	Mobile Two-Way Radio	290 00
1	Handi Talki Radio	250 00
1	Hand-Carrying Spotlight	10 00
1	Camera	35 00
1	Pair Binoculars	50 00
200	Rounds of .38 Cal. Ammunition	8 00
1	Timing Speed Meter	475 00
		6 093 50

TREASURER'S REPORT

December 31, 1956

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1956		1 758 85
Received From:		
Town of Hanover		
Taxes Collected	152 760 00	
Police Services	4 250 00	
Fire Services	790 00	
Dump Services	575 00	
Sewer Rentals	2 388 49	
Milk Licenses	49 00	
Taxi Licenses	75 00	
Bicycle Plates	19 50	
Entertainment Licenses	503 00	
Police Fees	213 00	
Rentals	5 789 50	
Dividends and Hydrant Rentals	4 608 42	
Parking Meter Account	9 338 84	
Sale of Maps	16 50	
Sale of Old Equipment & Junk	149 53	
Sale of Gravel	71 40	
Miscellaneous	369 06	
Telephone Refunds	33 00	
Accounts Receivable	17 578 11	
Temporary Notes	110 500 00	
Trust Funds	1 975 44	

Money borrowed for shovel		5	500	00	
Refund from Civil Defense			896	29	
Lebanon Street Bond Issue		60	943	26	
					379 392 34
					381 151 19
Amount paid out as per Commissioners' orders	379	577	90		
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1956	1	573	29		
					381 151 19

ETHEL C. BOND,
Treasurer

PARKING METER ACCOUNT

December 31, 1956

Received from meters					9 518 84
Amount paid Dual Parking Meter Account		180	00		
Amount paid Village Precinct	9	338	84		
					9 518 84

ETHEL C. BOND,
Treasurer

SEWER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, January 1, 1956	4 424 77
Balance on hand, January 1, 1957	4 424 77

ETHEL C. BOND,
Treasurer

HIGHWAY BONDS—LEBANON STREET PROJECT

Received from bonds, March 9, 1956	60 943 26
Balance on hand, January 1, 1957	60 943 26

ETHEL C. BOND,
Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

Hanover, New Hampshire
January 30, 1957

I have examined the accounts of Gordon H. Gliddon, James Campion, Jr., and Martin L. Lindahl, Precinct Commissioners, for the period of one year, January 1, through December 31, 1956, and I find them to be correctly kept and supported by proper vouchers.

I have examined the accounts of Ethel C. Bond, Precinct Treasurer, for the year 1956, and I find them correctly kept and supported by proper vouchers.

Louis O. Foster,
Auditor

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 1, 1957

To the Board of Precinct Commissioners of the Village Precinct of Hanover, New Hampshire:

Roster of the Department:

1. Andrew J. Ferguson, Chief
 Appointed March 31, 1941
2. Dennis J. Cooney, Patrolman
 Appointed July 4, 1945
3. Roland M. Lee, Patrolman
 Appointed November 16, 1949
4. Ralph J. Provencher, Patrolman
 Appointed April 1, 1951
5. Benjamin Thompson, Jr., Patrolman
 Appointed February 1, 1955
6. Sten Olson, Patrolman
 Appointed September 1, 1951
 Assigned to School Patrol

Special Officers:

1. William Abbott
2. Donald Adams
3. Oran Beckley
4. Lorentz Berg
5. Matthew Berwick, Jr.
6. William F. Blewitt
7. Harley H. Camp
8. John H. Connor
9. William J. Connor, Jr.
10. Roy DeVoye
11. Theodore Gaudreau
12. Alfred Gauthier
13. Benjamin Griggs
14. Francis T. LaBounty
15. Harold G. LaBounty
16. Chauncey Littlefield
17. Eugene Laramie, Jr.
18. Henry Leavitt, Sr.
19. Henry Leavitt, Jr.
20. William Lynch
21. Henry Marcotte
22. Remembrance Martin
23. Donald Michaud
24. Darwin Naylor
25. Henry Richards
26. Raymond Roy, Jr.
27. Clayton Shovan
28. Paul St. Cyr, Jr.
29. Charles Tanzi, Jr.
30. Wallace Tucker
31. Francis Tuxbury
32. Freeman Wright

The Special Police Officers listed above were used by this department to assist with special events in the Precinct and Town of Hanover. A total of three hundred and seventy five (375) Special Police Officers, Motor Vehicle Inspectors, and members of the State Police were assigned for special policing, such as Carnival, Green Key, Commencement, Football, Basketball, Hockey games, Dances, Road Construction, etc.

Motor Vehicle Activities

The following is an account of the various Motor Vehicle work done by the department:

In addition to the arrests and warnings, the Department investigated 48 automobile accidents which occurred both in the Precinct and Town of Hanover. The year 1956 ended with no fatal accidents in the township; one (1) pedestrian was reported struck by an automobile but was uninjured; thirty-one (31) automobile accidents resulted in property damage only, and sixteen (16) accidents occurred with injuries to both person and property. Although this represents a slight rise in the number of accidents, over previous years, I feel this an excellent record, considering the tremendous increase in both vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

A certificate of merit was issued to the Chief of the Police Department in appreciation of faithful and meritorious service to public and highway safety by Frederick N. Clarke, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in the State of New Hampshire.

Charge	*Arrests*	*Warnings*
Accidents, Leaving Scene of	2	
Accidents, Failed to Report		5
Careless and Negligent Operating	6	
Defective Brakes	3	12
Defective Equipment		52
Defective Lights		410
Defective Muffler		32
Failed to Display Red Flag		4
Failed to Inspect	18	26
Failed to Keep Right of Yellow Line	5	13

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Charge	*Arrests*	*Warnings*
Failed to Stop for an Officer	4	
Failed to Observe Stop Sign	7	16
Failed to Carry Registration		19
Failed to Carry License		23
Failed to Give a Hand Signal		66
Failed to Display Plates	7	
Failed to Heed Warning of a Siren	1	
Misuse of Plates	4	
Obstructing Traffic		21
Operating After Revocation	1	
Operating After Suspension	1	
Operating on Sidewalks	4	2
Operating Under the Influence of Liquor	5	
Operating Unregistered Vehicle	12	
Operating Without a License	7	
Operating Without Lights		4
Operating Over-Width Truck	1	
Permitting Improper Person to Operate	7	2
Reckless Operating	6	
Speeding	93	136
Unnecessary Noise, Horn Blowing	4	
Using Without Authority	2	3
Violation of Parking—Court Action	7	
Violation of Parking Tickets	*1570	
	1777	846

*Indicates number of Motor Vehicle Operators paying small fines for minor violation of traffic ordinances. These people were allowed, by permission of the Justice of the Hanover Municipal Court, to pay their fines to the Town Clerk at the time of violation, rather than appear in court at a later date. The total amount of these fines collected, was $1,631.50.

Commitment Cases

1.	To New Hampshire State Hospital at Concord, N. H.	4
2.	To County House of Correction at Haverhill, N. H.	5
3.	To New Hampshire State Industrial School at Manchester, N. H.	2
		11

Criminal Activities

The following 34 criminal arrest figures pertain to persons arrested as a result of investigations made by the department; in each case of arrest, the persons were found guilty in the Hanover Municipal Court, or turned over to other law enforcement agencies for prosecution. The department investigated 152 criminal cases during the year. In the "Apprehended and Released" column are listed persons released without prosecution, for reasons which the department felt were for the better of all concerned.

Crime	*Arrest*	*Investigation*	*Apprehended & Released*
Assault and Battery		3	3
Breaking and Entering		13	7
Begging		9	9
Carrying Concealed Weapon		2	2
Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor		4	4
Derisive Words, Use of	1	1	
Destruction of Property	4	6	2
Disorderly Conduct	6	7	1
Discharging Firearms		4	4
Discharging Firecrackers	1	7	6
Drunk and Disorderly	11	33	22
Fishing in Restricted Waters		3	3
Fraudulent Checks		6	2
Grand Larceny		1	1
Impersonating a Police Officer	1	1	
Lewd and Lascivious Conduct	1	1	
Non-Support	2	4	2

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Crime	*Arrest*	*Investigation*	*Apprehended & Released*
Obstructing an Officer	1	1	
Petty Larceny	5	21	16
Receiving Stolen Property		2	2
Throwing Rubbish on Street	1	3	2
Violation of Local Ordinances		21	21
	34	153	109

Automobiles

Number of Automobiles Reported Stolen, 12

Number of Automobiles Recovered *13, Valuation $13 200 00

*One Automobile Recovered for Bennington, Vt. PD

Bicycles

Number of Bicycles Registered, 452

Number of Bicycles Reported Stolen, 18

Number of Bicycles Recovered, 10, Valuation $250 00

Miscellaneous Articles Recovered

Money, Clothing, Furs, Jewelry, Eye Glasses, etc., reported lost or stolen and returned to the original owner all to the value of $2 150 00

Grand Total $15 600 00

Police Cruiser

The Police Cruiser travelled a total of 23,404 miles in response to accidents and other emergencies, answering complaints, investigations, rendering assistance to distressed motorists, and in routine patrol work.

Parking Meters

This year, in addition to the policing of the parking meters and the collection of the money, the Department has undertaken the servicing and repair of all the meters. To accomplish this it was necessary for one of the Officers to attend a one week course of instruction at the Dual Parking Meter Company Main Office at Canton, Ohio.

Due to the lack of space at Police Headquarters, it was deemed desirable to discontinue the lodging service provided for vagrants,

and the so-called "Tramp Room" was completely renovated and converted into a parking meter repair room. Also, as a result of this conversion, we now have sufficient space for storage of traffic signs and other equipment.

Miscellaneous

The Department investigated 3 Suicides and 8 Accidental Gun Shot Wound Victims. 433 Doors and Windows were found unlocked; 257 Street Lights were reported out; 38 Homes checked during absence of owner; 146 Emergency Cases handled by the department, which include blood relays to other hospitals in cooperation with other Police Departments; emergency messages delivered; and transportation provided to the hospital when no other means were available.

Summary

Not mentioned previously in this report is work of the Department in investigating many cases for the Federal and State Governments, and other law enforcement agencies. As an accommodation to the public, hundreds of finger print impressions were taken for Army, Navy, Air Force applicants, Doctors desiring Medical Licenses, and other persons seeking employment in private industries and government agencies.

Members of the Department have attended seminars and lectures on police work during the year. Through the cooperation of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the County Solicitors and the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police many conferences on all phases of police work have been held, giving instruction on such subjects as new techniques and procedures in the prevention and detection of crime. Such instruction has resulted in the improvement of the members' performance in their work.

Again this year, the Department was greatly honored by receiving the National Safety Council Award. At a special ceremony held in

the State House at Concord, the Chief of the Department was presented a plaque by His Excellency, Governor Lane Dwinell and Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Frederick N. Clarke. This honor was bestowed upon only four towns in the State, in recognition of its accomplishment in completing the year without a fatal motor vehicle traffic accident within the Town limits.

In conclusion, I would like once again to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the splendid assistance and cooperation given to the Department by the people of Hanover.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW J. FERGUSON,
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

January 1, 1957

Calls

During the past year, there was a total of 50 calls, of which 36 were silent alarms, 14 bell alarms, and no false alarms. Five of these calls were outside of the Precinct, while one was out of town.

There were 32 less calls than there were in 1955, which was a source of great gratification to the Fire Department.

Fortunately, there was no serious fire within the Precinct limits, and there was only one serious fire within the town limits—the Dartmouth Dairy barn on the Lyme Road. The Department was called out of town only once—out on the West Lebanon Road.

Chief Causes of Fires

Fires in automobiles and trucks, and also the so-called pot oil-burners, which were classified under Fraternity and College buildings, accounted for about 50% of our runs.

The Town and Precinct dump caused relatively little trouble this past year, requiring but 4 runs, as contrasted with 9 responses the previous year.

We wish to thank the citizens of the community for their great care in the use of burning permits, as no fires were caused by them.

Again, may we call your attention to Section 6 of the Fire Department Regulations of the By-Laws and Regulations of the Precinct of Hanover, and the Incinerator Law as found in "The Manual of the Forest Fire Service" of the State of New Hampshire, page 6. They read as follows:

"No person shall burn or cause to be burned any trash, brush, leaves, straw or any other combustible material in the open without a written permit signed by the State or Town Forest Fire Warden and the Chief Engineer or an Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, stating the time and place when such burning is to be permitted and the nature of the material to be burned; provided, however, that such material may be burned by any person on land owned or occupied by him in incinerators so constructed and operated as to prevent the ignition therefrom of other combustible material."

During the year 1954, the so-called incinerator law was a source of grave concern to Forest Fire Wardens and the Chiefs of the neighboring Fire Departments.

"Many incinerators which are constructed of a coarse, loosely woven wire mesh or of perforated sheet metal, are, due to their construction or location, entirely unsafe receptacles in which to burn rubbish. Such incinerators are the source of many fires and investigations.

These incinerators are of such unsafe construction that the building of a fire in them corresponds to igniting a fire in the open, which is prohibited by law without a permit from the Fire Warden or the Fire Chief. If, in the opinion of one of these officials, the burning of refuse in such an incinerator might be the source of a fire being communicated to other material or woodlands, he should refuse to issue a permit for such burning, until weather conditions or changes made in the incinerator or its location, make such burning safe."

We are very pleased to notice in the back yards and gardens of the Precinct, that so many citizens are purchasing the approved type of incinerator.

Meetings

The meetings of the Grafton-Sullivan County Forest Fire Wardens Association were well attended by the officers and members of the Hanover Volunteer Hose Company.

During the past fall, a 45 hour course in all phases of a Fireman's Training, was held at the White River Junction fire station. Chief Carlton H. Nott, Ass't Chief Albert P. Stewart, Capt. Robert Barwood, Firemen Clarence Church, Richard S. Hawes, and Harry Ware attended from Hanover.

Chief Nott attended the New England Chief's Convention at Wentworth-by-the-Sea.

Chief Nott, Capt. Barwood, Lieutenant Wheeler and Doctor Lambert attended a conference at Worcester, Mass.

Equipment

The rolling stock of the Department consists of one 75 foot aerial ladder, two 750 gallon pumpers, one Chevrolet truck and a Chevro-

let station wagon. All of this equipment has radio installations. In addition there is one portable pump, a trailer and boat.

The two-way radio which was installed in the station and trucks of the department, has been very helpful and useful both to the Hanover and Etna departments, enabling them to keep in close touch with each other. The Etna Department has increased its radio equipment recently.

IMPROVED PROTECTION IN THE COMMUNITY

There has been an increase, during the past year, in the number of permits which have been issued for the installation and use of oil burners.

Because of the increase in requests for such permits each year, it seems advisable to call to the attention of the public the Rules, Regulations, and the Penalty for Violation of said Rules and Regulations.

The New Hampshire State Rules, Regulations, and the Penalty for Violation of said Rules and Regulations are as follows:

These rules and regulations require that a permit be obtained in order (1) to install oil burning equipment, and (2) to operate oil burning equipment. The permits may be obtained at the Fire Department headquarters, at no cost to the firm which installs the equipment, or to the operator.

"22. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS. Whoever shall violate any rule or regulation of the board issued pursuant to section 5 of paragraph 1, section 12, shall upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than one hundred dollars for each offense. All penalties, fees or forfeitures collected under the provisions of this chapter shall be paid into the treasury of the state."

The Rescue Squad, together with the other members of the Department, held drills on ice rescue, the use of a boat in water rescue, and in artificial respiration. These drills were under the direction of Assistant Chief Sidney C. Hazelton, and Dr. Lewis H. Lambert.

The members of the Hanover and Etna Fire Departments were given rigid physical examinations, and tetanus inoculations, by Dr. Lambert and other Doctors and nurses on the staff of the Mary

Hitchcock Memorial Hospital. Such an examination is certainly a step in the right direction, and it is hoped that it may become an annual procedure. The second examination showed that most of the men were in good physical condition.

A drill ground is being prepared close by the pond which is situated close to the road leading up to the new dump. Here, different types of fires may be created, and practice may be obtained in extinguishing them. This will prove to be helpful in the training program.

The extension of the Police radio to the Fire Station is still in use and is monitored by the station man of the Hanover Fire Department.

Recommendations

The Board of Engineers of the Hanover Fire Department recommend that a start be made in replacing our 50 year old fire alarm system with a modern system.

It is further recommended that an increase be made in our permanent staff. This need is pointed up by the fact that we need a larger and quicker response on the first call, to protect efficiently the ever increasing amount of construction found in our community.

Public Relations

The Hanover Volunteer Hose Company was called upon to perform other services than that of fighting fires. The aerial ladder was used to help put Christmas decorations on the tree in the center of the Campus; to help in stringing lights across Main Street and in replacing bulbs on these wires; it was also used to help in replacing bulbs in the high roof of Alumni Gymnasium.

This year the weather for the Children's Christmas party was cold and windy, but it did not dampen the ardor of the children during their ride and their talk with Santa Claus. A few children from the Children's Ward of Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, whose condition permitted, were given a short ride in the trucks.

Santa Claus made his usual visit to the hospital, bringing joy and

happiness to the children who were unable to leave their ward.

The Board of Engineers, the officers and men of the Hanover Volunteer Hose Company, extend their sincere thanks and appreciation to the people of Hanover for their hearty cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. NOTT, *Chief*
S. C. HAZELTON, *Assistant Chief*
A. P. STEWART, *Assistant Chief*

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

January 1, 1957

To the Commissioners of the Village Precinct of Hanover, New Hamphire:

	1955	1956
Total Calls	82	50
Bell Alarms	20	14
Silent Alarms	62	36
False Alarms	4	0
Calls, Defined and Compared with Last Year		
Out of Town	5	1
Out of Precinct	9	5
Precinct Alarms		
Chimney	1	0
Grass, Brush and Leaves	4	4
Fraternity and College Buildings	6	5
Grease	2	0
First Aid and Life Saving	1	2
Automobiles and Trucks	6	7
Woodland	0	1
Waste Material and Dump	14	4
Oil Burners and Heaters	6	0
Electric or Broken Wires	1	4
Lightning	1	0
Furnaces	2	1
Dwellings	3	3
Investigations	4	3
Miscellaneous	10	7
Amount of 2½ in. Hose laid in feet	2600	7350
Amount of 1½ in. Hose laid in feet	2100	3050
Amount of Booster Hose laid in feet	6620	3750
Amount of Ladders raised in feet	2488	4679
Total Miles Driven	2540	2753

REPORT OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

January 1, 1957

To the Commissioners of the Village Precinct of Hanover,
New Hampshire:

Gentlemen:

Hanover has had the following infectious diseases reported to the Health Department during the past year:

Chickenpox	37
German Measles	33
Scarlet Fever, (Streptococcus pharyngitis)	30
Pneumonia (all types)	14
Measles	5
Mumps	2
Tuberculosis	1

During the past year four Salk Vaccine Clinics were held at the grade school and a total of 895 inoculations were given. This figure does not include those children and pregnant women who received their inoculations by their family physicians. The last clinic in August was held primarily for the teen age group, only 26 in the 15-19 year old age group took advantage of this.

At this writing, the supply of vaccine with State Funds is limited but since the vaccine is abundant on the market, it is recommended that those who are able to, should make arrangements through their family physicians for these inoculations.

It is not known at this time if State Funds will be available to complete all inoculations of the age group, 6 months through 19 years of age. For this reason, parents are urged to contact their family physician so that their children can complete their series of inoculations. The polio season starts with the advent of summer.

The inspection of the milk shed supplying the town has been continued during the year under the supervision of Dr. Wilbur Collins. The increasing number of herds supplying this area plus the increas-

ing distance of the dairy farms from Hanover has made the part time position of Milk Inspector a difficult one. It should be pointed out that the State Department of Health inspects periodically all herds supplying milk in this area.

Complaints relative to health hazards have been investigated when brought to the attention of this office. None have proven to be serious. Mr. John Peck, regional inspector for the State Department of Health and the Health Officer have inspected the food dispensing establishments of the town throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Reginald K. House, M.D.
Health Officer

REPORT OF PRECINCT STUDY COMMITTEE

The Committee was appointed by the Moderator in accordance with the vote of the 1956 Precinct Meeting to study and report on the question of whether there would be a substantial advantage to be gained by a merger of the Hanover Precinct and Town governments.

The committee report has three parts:

1) Introductory information.
2) A statement of the premises on which we believe final judgment should be made.
3) The Committee's conclusions.

1. Introductory Information

The Village Precinct of Hanover was organized by local vote October 29, 1855. Its purpose was primarily to provide fire protection for the urban area. The fire equipment could serve only a small area and thus the organization of the Precinct made possible the taxing of those who benefited from the service without forcing those at a greater distance to share the cost.

As time passed the Precinct area developed other demands for special services. In 1901 the New Hampshire legislature enacted the Act of Incorporation defining, enlarging and confirming the powers of the Precinct. Other powers were added by legislative acts from time to time, and in 1935 a complete revision of the act was adopted by the Precinct. That act, with some further amendments, governs the present powers of the Precinct and the Precinct exists because of such legislative action.

The Commissioners of the Precinct exercise many legislative functions and have most, but not all, the powers of selectmen and practically all of the powers of mayors, aldermen or city councils. While fire and water precincts, with powers relating solely to such matters, are common in the State, there are few precincts with broader powers and Hanover is alone in having a precinct of such general scope.

The Town of Hanover covers approximately 36 square miles of which the Precinct occupies about 4 square miles. The present boundaries of the Precinct may be described as follows: Starting at the point where the Hanover-Lebanon Town line meets the east bank of the Connecticut River and proceeding *eastward* along the town line to a point near the dump, then *northerly* in a straight line to the junction of East Wheelock Street and the roads to Etna and the reservoir (this crosses Lebanon Street where the new road construction stops); then from that junction *westerly* approximately in a straight line to east bank of the Connecticut River (this passes along the Southern boundary of the present Garipay farm and the Northern boundary of the adjacent Heneage property west of Rip Road); then southerly along the east bank of the river to the starting point at the Hanover-Lebanon Town line.

Within the Precinct is 84% of the assessed valuation of the Town and 80% of the voters. This is important to bear in mind for there is a tendency on the part of Hanover residents to think and talk as though the Town was only the area *outside* the Precinct. Actually all Precinct residents are residents of the Town, and are entitled to vote at Town Meeting.

II. Facts On Which We Believe Judgment Concerning A Merger Can Be Made

The Committee has found it helpful to consider the basic questions which should be asked regarding a merger and to find the answers to these questions. This part of the report, therefore, will consist of stating the questions we have asked ourselves and then providing the facts we have gathered in attempting to answer them.

A. *If a merger were desired, how could it legally be accomplished?*

The New Hampshire statutes provide that village precincts can disband themselves by a favorable vote of two-thirds of all the voters on the precinct check list. This provision does not provide in any way for properly disposing of precinct property, liabilities and functions. Therefore, it is impractical in our case.

There is another method of arranging a merger which was used recently in Littleton and which two firms, Upton, Sanders and

Upton, and Sulloway, Hollis, Godfrey and Soden, assure us is applicable to our situation.

Because the Precinct was incorporated by an act of the legislature and received its powers through such an act, another act of the legislature, adopted in turn by vote of the Town (which includes all Precinct voters) may make any desired changes. Therefore, to accomplish a merger it would be necessary (1) for a majority of the voters of the Precinct to vote in favor of a merger; (2) for a Town-Precinct Committee to draft a bill to be introduced in the legislature governing all the terms of the merger, i.e., repeal of previous acts of incorporation, establishment of powers and duties, transfer of assets and liabilities, provision for any changes in the organization of Town government which might be desirable and provision for a Town Meeting to vote on the adoption of the act. Such a referendum vote is not legally required but is the common practice. Since a merger would involve acceptance of indebtedness by the Town, it would be desirable to have the legislative act accepted by two-thirds of those present and voting at any duly called meeting. Such a vote would put the merger into effect.

B. *If such a merger were accomplished, would it result in reduction of expenses?*

We believe that no important immediate saving in expenses would result from a merger because Town and Precinct functions do not overlap in any important way. We have examined every item of expense in both budgets and find that all would continue substantially unchanged. Whatever saving there might possibly be would have to be long-range and even this cannot be forecast with any certainty.

C. *What advantages are there in the Precinct arrangement which would be lost by a merger?*

1. With the Precinct as a separate governmental unit, it is possible for the residents of the urban area of the Town to provide for services which they desire without requiring the approval of those outside the Precinct who may not appreciate or benefit from the services.

2. The existence of three Precinct Commissioners and three Selectmen provides six men actively engaged in administering the affairs

of the Town and Precinct whereas under a merger the full responsibility would rest with the three Selectmen. This might well be advantageous in so far as it provided a centralized administration of town affairs.

On the other hand, the load on the Selectmen would be substantially greater, and necessarily raises the question of whether three Selectmen can handle as efficiently all the functions now distributed among six men.

3. The Precinct Commissioners now have powers of city councils and aldermen which enable them to make by-laws and ordinances effective in the Precinct without calling a meeting of the Precinct. However, a legislative act effecting a merger might confer comparable powers on the Selectmen, although we can not forecast what action the legislature might take.

4. At the present time both Town and Precinct have the power to incur indebtedness up to a fixed statutory limit. A merger would eliminate the Precinct's borrowing capacity, thus limiting indebtedness to that which the Town alone could legally incur. The effect would be to cut approximately in half the present borrowing capacity unless the legislature granted Hanover a debt limit substantially higher than the present statutory limit.

D. *Are there inequities arising from the Precinct arrangement in terms of the impact of taxes on Precinct taxpayers?*

1. There are inequities of two types. One arises from the fact that fire and police equipment paid for entirely by Precinct taxpayers is used for the benefit of Town residents outside the Precinct, without the latter being asked to contribute toward the purchase cost of such equipment. The principal example is fire equipment. The 1955 Precinct Report showed $54,850 of such equipment on hand which had been paid for entirely by Precinct taxpayers but is used anywhere in the Town. Had this equipment been purchased by the Town instead of the Precinct, approximately $45,500 would have been paid by taxpayers in the Precinct. A sharing of this cost seems proper in view of the ability of the equipment to serve effectively almost anywhere in the Town.

2. The other inequity arises through the mechanics of the dual

tax system necessitated by the Town-Precinct arrangement. Because Precinct taxpayers are also Town taxpayers, they bear the costs of both operations. For example, it was agreed last year that since Fire, Police and Dump services are used by non-Precinct residents it would be fair to put a portion of these operating expenses into the Town budget. The amounts so charged to the Town totaled $5,615 out of total Precinct budgets for these items of $42,920. The result was that Precinct taxpayers paid 84% of the $5,615, or $4,717, leaving $898 (about 2%) as the tax contribution of non-Precinct residents toward total Fire, Police and Dump expenses of $42,920.

E. *Would a merger of Town and Precinct eliminate present inequities?*

Under such a merger each taxpayer would bear his proportionate share of total governmental expense based on the ratio of the assessed value of his property to the total property assessments in the Town. This would mean, on the present basis, that the present Precinct taxpayers would pay 84% of property taxes for Town and Precinct government instead of the 94% they now bear.

F. *Would such a merger create new inequities to the disadvantage of non-Precinct taxpayers?*

The effect of such a merger would be to establish a single tax rate throughout the Town. To be specific, on the basis of last year's rates and assessments all taxpayers would have paid at the rate of $5.18 per $100 of assessed valuation. This means that the Precinct rate would have dropped from $5.40 to $5.18 and the non-Precinct rate would have risen from $3.98 to $5.18. Stated another way, taxes on a $6,000 assessment in the Precinct would have dropped from $324 to $311; taxes on a $6,000 assessment outside the Precinct would have risen from $239 to $311.

This would result in property owners in remote parts of the Town paying proportionately as much tax as persons in the present Precinct area, although they obviously would not get equivalent services. In the case of many properties close to the present Precinct there would be little, if any, inequity involved in such a change, but there would

be varying degrees of inequity as the distance from the Precinct increased.

This is precisely the situation which exists in most New Hampshire towns. The single tax rate is based on the fact that every citizen of the Town derives some benefit from the more extensive services in the compact area.

If the increase in rate on non-Precinct property is judged to be unfair, then the merger is not desirable or else a way must be found to adjust the increase to a reasonable amount. This we believe to be one of the critical questions concerning the desirability of a merger.

G. *Are there adjustments which could be made short of a merger which would eliminate present inequities without changing the basic governmental pattern?*

The primary inequities of the present situation lie in the area of police and fire services, including the purchase of equipment. With mechanized fire equipment almost all Town residents benefit from this protection sufficiently to justify asking them to pay their proportionate share of the total expense including the purchase of new equipment when necessary. If the Town were to incorporate in its budget each year an amount equal to the total Precinct Fire Department budget (including new equipment) as worked out jointly by Precinct Commissioners and Selectmen, and excluding any items obviously applying only to the Precinct, and were to contribute such amount to the Precinct, the effect would be to spread the Fire Department expenses over the whole Town on an equitable basis.

With respect to Police, if it could be agreed that a certain percentage of police time, for example 5%, is spent outside the Precinct, then it could fairly be determined that 5% of the Police budget should be raised by taxes on non-Precinct property. Thus, by example, if a 5% estimate be accepted and the Police budget were $24,000, the non-Precinct property should pay 5% of that amount or $1,200. To produce this $1,200 from the 16% of all assessed property in the Town lying outside the Precinct it would be necessary to put $7,500 into the Town budget. Thus by raising such an amount through the Town tax and contributing it to the Precinct, the cost of Police protection would be equitably distributed.

These changes have already been made through agreement between Selectmen and Precinct Commissioners and approved by the Finance Committee and can be made effective by acceptance at the Town and Precinct Meetings.

H. *Would a merger put the Town in a stronger position to deal wisely and effectively with problems which will arise through future growth?*

We believe this to be an important question, but the answer to it lies primarily in the area of judgment and thus no hard and fast answer is possible. Some members of the Town Planning Board have told us that in their view a single governmental unit responsible for the whole Town could deal more effectively with future planning than two separate governmental units. They also point out that so-called "urban development" has already spread beyond the present Precinct borders which means that the Selectmen will increasingly be dealing with problems heretofore of concern only to the Precinct Commissioners. Some examples of common interests and problems requiring separate action by each governmental unit in the future are: Zoning, parking, fire and police protection, streets and sewers.

If new light industries should come to Hanover they would probably locate outside the Precinct and would certainly demand Precinct services. To derive maximum advantage from such industry, it would be well to have a common tax rate throughout the Town.

III. Conclusion and Recommendations

Although the Committee's instructions did not provide specifically for recommendations, a majority of the Committee feels that we should make a clear statement of our own conclusions.

We find that the answer to the question of whether a merger would be advantageous is not simple. There are some clear facts with regard to a merger which can be stated as follows:

A. There is a feasible, legal method for accomplishing a merger.

B. It would not result in economies of operation that would reduce present budgets of either Town or Precinct.

C. The responsibility for the management of all Town affairs

would rest upon the three Selectmen instead of on three Selectmen and three Precinct Commissioners.

D. The present tax inequities described in this report would be eliminated, but new ones would be created.

On the other hand there are questions involving judgment which are much less clear. In the event of a merger:

A. Would the rural and urban groups work together effectively for the proper development of both areas?

B. Would the Legislature give to the Selectmen the special powers, now enjoyed by the Precinct Commissioners and important to efficient handling of affairs, or would we lose that advantage?

C. Would the Legislature give the Town a debt limit equal to the present combined limit of Town and Precinct, or would we have to get along with the smaller limit provided by statute for towns?

D. Could means be found to eliminate the tax inequities which would be created by a merger?

E. Would a single governmental unit prove to have greater simplicity, efficiency and economy for a growing community?

We have stated these propositions as questions because there are no clear answers. Each man must form his own judgment. Opinion in the Committee is not unanimous.

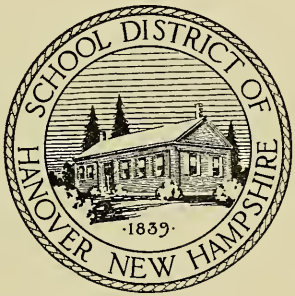
The Committee believes that neither the four statements of clear fact nor the five questions presented above give any basis for recommending a merger at this time. However, the Committee believes that there is a possibility that a merger might be advantageous in the future.

We have considered means of keeping the information concerning a merger current and useful, but have concluded that there is no practical way of doing so other than to urge that Selectmen, Precinct Commissioners and voters keep this information in mind and bring it into use whenever in their judgment a real need for a merger arises.

The Committee also recommends that the Town and Precinct voters approve an extension of the policy long in force respecting Precinct highway expenses, and extended last year to Precinct fire, police and dump expenses, namely, the inclusion in the Town budget of portions of these Precinct expenses as agreed upon between Precinct Commissioners and Town Selectmen and presented in the budgets this year.

Nathaniel G. Burleigh
Roger G. Eastman
Gordon H. Gliddon
Fletcher Low
Barbara Morin
Earl C. Ward
George H. Colton, *Chairman*

ANNUAL REPORT
SCHOOL DISTRICT
HANOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE



1957

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

School Board

S. Russell Stearns, Chairman	Term Expires 1957
S. John Stebbins	Term Expires 1957
Dorothy M. Strong	Term Expires 1957
Linwood H. Bean	Term Expires 1958
Peter Lihatsh	Term Expires 1958
Jean M. Milne	Term Expires 1958
Elisabeth M. Bradley	Term Expires 1959
Katharine G. Larmon	Term Expires 1959
John C. Manchester	Term Expires 1959

Herbert W. Hill, *Moderator*

Marion E. Guyer, *Clerk*

Ethel C. Bond, *Treasurer*

Sten Olson, *Truant Officer*

William E. Bragner, *Principal of High School*

Bernice A. Ray, *Principal of Grade School*

Dr. C. C. Stewart, *School Physician*

Irma J. Simeneau, *School Nurse*

Leonard E. Morrissey, *Auditor*

Arthur E. Pierce, *Superintendent*

SCHOOL DISTRICT

WARRANT

State of New Hampshire

Grafton, SS. School District of Hanover

To the inhabitants of the School District of Hanover qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Auditorium of the High School in Hanover, New Hampshire, on Wednesday, March thirteenth, 1957 at seven in the evening to act on the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer each to serve one year, and three members of the School Board each to serve three years.

Article 2. To choose an Auditor to serve one year.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of the schools, for the salaries of School District Officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxation by the town.

Article 5. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate, in addition to the original appropriation for 1956-57, a sum of $6,944.85 to be made available to the School District prior to July 1, 1957, in order to meet obligations due chiefly to unanticipated added costs for added clerical help, textbooks, pupils' supplies, fuel and electricity.

Article 6. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate, in addition to the original appropriation for 1956-57, a sum of $1,300.00 to be made available to the School District prior to July 1, 1957 in order to meet obligations due to unanticipated added costs because of the school milk program.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the purchase of furniture and equipment for the alterations and additions to the high school and grade school buildings.

Article 8. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to make application for and to accept, on behalf of the district, any or all grants or offers for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State of New Hampshire and/or United States.

Article 9. To see whether the District will vote to decrease the membership of the School Board from nine to six members.

Article 10. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

The polls will open at 7:00 P.M. and will not close before 8:30 P.M.

Given under our hands and seals at Hanover, N. H. this 25th day of February, 1957.

Linwood H. Bean	Peter Lihatsh
S. Russell Stearns	John C. Manchester
Dorothy M. Strong	Katharine G. Larmon
Jean M. Milne	S. John Stebbins
Elisabeth M. Bradley	

School Board, School District of Hanover, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Linwood H. Bean	Peter Lihatsh
S. Russell Stearns	John C. Manchester
Dorothy M. Strong	Katharine G. Larmon
Jean M. Milne	S. John Stebbins
Elisabeth M. Bradley	

School Board, School District of Hanover, N. H.

HANOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

1956

The Annual Meeting of the Hanover School District was called to order by the Moderator, Herbert W. Hill at 7:00 P.M., Monday, April 16, 1956. The Warrant on which the meeting was called was read by the School District Clerk, Marion E. Guyer.

Article I: On motion of Mr. S. Stebbins, duly seconded, it was voted that the polls be now opened and be not closed before 8:30 P.M. for the purpose of voting on candidates for Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Three School Board Members.

The following were elected:

Moderator, Herbert W. Hill, for one year
Clerk, Marion E. Guyer, for one year
Treasurer, Ethel C. Bond, for one year

School Board Members,

John C. Manchester, for three years
Katharine G. Larmon, for three years
Elisabeth M. Bradley, for three years.

Article II: The nomination of Leonard E. Morrissey as Auditor of the Hanover School District for a term of one year was made by Louis O. Foster. The nomination was duly seconded, nominations were declared closed and the clerk was instructed to cast one Ballot for Leonard E. Morrissey. The Moderator declared Mr. Morrissey elected as auditor of the Hanover School District for one year.

Article III: On motion of Mr. S. Stebbins, duly seconded, it was voted to accept the reports of the Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, Superintendent and School Board as printed in the School Report and placed on file.

Article IV: On motion of Mr. Manchester, duly seconded, it was voted that the district raise and appropriate the sum of $363,229.65 for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents and for the statutory obligations of the district, and to

authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State equalization fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town.

Article V: On motion of Mr. Manchester, duly seconded, it was voted that the district raise and appropriate, in addition to the original appropriation for 1955-56, a sum of $2,700.00 to be made available to the school district prior to July 1, 1956 in order to meet obligations due chiefly to unanticipated added costs for replacement teachers and to the interest payment on the 1955-56 bond issue.

Mrs. Katharine Larmon read the following resolution:

Mr. Clark W. Horton has long been actively interested in Hanover's Schools and for the past six years has been a valued member of the School Board. He has spent long hours of thought and calculation in evaluating its various problems and has contributed immeasurably to its effectiveness through his wisdom, and gratifyingly often of its smooth functioning by his illuminating wit.

Therefore, be it resolved that, in recognition of the Hanover School District's indebtedness to him, a copy of this resolution be placed on the records of this meeting, and a copy be sent to Mr. Horton.

The following resolution was read by Mr. Stebbins:

Whereas during the four years he has served as Auditor of the Hanover School District Louis O. Foster has not only ably performed his statutory duties but contributed generously of his time and knowledge of accounting toward the efficiency of the Schools.

Therefore be it resolved that the Hanover School District express its appreciation to Louis O. Foster for his service as Auditor.

A copy of this resolution to be placed on the records of this meeting and a copy be sent to Mr. Foster.

Article VI: On motion of Mr. Stebbins duly seconded it was voted that the meeting be now adjourned until Monday, May 21, 1956 at 7:30 P.M. in Webster Hall except for the purpose of con-

tinuing the voting and counting the ballots. The meeting was recessed at 7:45 for the discussion of the Proposed Building Program. The polls remained open until 8:45 at which time the meeting was adjourned until May 21, 1956 at 7:30 P.M. in Webster Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
MARION E. GUYER
School District Clerk

A true copy attest:
MARION E. GUYER
School District Clerk
January 30, 1957

THE ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HANOVER, N. H. SCHOOL DISTRICT
May 21, 1956

The Annual Meeting of the Hanover School District adjourned from April 16th, 1956 pursuant to a vote passed at that time was called to order at 7:30 P.M. on May 21st, 1956 by the Moderator, Herbert W. Hill.

Articles 6, 7 and 8 of the Warrant were read by the Clerk.

Article VI: On motion of Mr. Stebbins duly seconded it was voted that the District instruct the School Board by a preferential ballot vote whether to expand the high school facilities in accordance with Plan 1 or Plan 2A Revised, each as described in the School Board Report of May 9, 1956, subject to such changes and improvements therein as the School Board may deem to be in the best interests of the District.

Voting results:

Total number of votes cast	840
Plan 1	206
Plan 2A Revised	631
Blank	3

The Moderator declared Plan 2A the preferred plan by a majority vote.

On motion of Mr. Stebbins duly seconded it was voted that the District construct additions and alterations to the present high school building including the grading, filling and draining of the land already owned, and seven hundred seven thousand dollars ($707,000.00) is hereby appropriated for that purpose, and to meet said appropriation forty thousand dollars ($40,000.00) shall be raised by taxation and the School Board is hereby authorized to issue six hundred sixty-seven thousand dollars ($667,000.00) bonds of the district. The School Board is further authorized to execute any and all contracts relating thereto, including the employment of an architect, and to take such other action with respect thereto as may be necessary or advisable.

The vote was taken by ballot, the result of the vote was:

Total number of votes cast	772
Yes	704
No	67
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The Moderator declared that more than two-thirds of the voters present and voting had voted in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Stebbins duly seconded that the District acquire the property North of Reservoir Road and East of Lyme Road in Hanover comprising seventeen (17) acres more or less owned by the Heirs of Eugene L. Garipay or another appropriate piece of land of similar size and price to be selected by the School Board at their discretion as a playground for the high school and that thirty six thousand one hundred dollars ($36,100.00) be raised by taxation and appropriated for that purpose, and that the School Board be authorized to negotiate the terms of such conveyance including if required by the sellers an appropriate provision in the deed for reoffer to the sellers before a sale by the School District for other than public purposes.

The vote was negative.

On motion of Mr. Stebbins duly seconded it was voted that the offer of Dartmouth College to convey the Sachem Village property to the School District in accordance with the vote of the College Trustees of April 27, 1956 be accepted.

Article VII: On motion of Mr. Manchester duly seconded it was voted that the sum of ten thousand five dollars ($10,005.00) be

raised by taxation and appropriated for initial payment of interest on the bonded indebtedness incurred by the vote under Article 6.

Article VIII: The following vote of Thanks on behalf of the residents of Hanover was presented by Mrs. Charlotte Morrison:

> That the residents of Hanover show, in a very small way, their deep gratitude to the members of the Hanover School Board for the months of toil, blood, sweat and tears expended on our behalf. In particular that we show our gratitude to Jack Stebbins for taking, literally, two years out of his life to provide the best possible school for the Hanover Children. I can think of no better way to express our gratitude than to stand up and maybe Cheer.

On motion of Mr. Stebbins duly seconded it was voted that the meeting be now adjourned until 7:30 P.M., July 9, 1956 at the High School Auditorium.

MARION E. GUYER
School District Clerk

A true copy attest:
January 30, 1957
MARION E. GUYER
Hanover, N. H. School District Clerk

THE ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HANOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT
July 9, 1956

The Annual meeting of the Hanover School District adjourned from May 21, 1956 pursuant to a vote passed at that time was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator Herbert W. Hill.

Since there was not any business to come before the meeting at this time on motion of Mr. Bean, duly seconded by Mr. Stebbins, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

MARION E. GUYER
School District Clerk

A true copy attest:
MARION E. GUYER
School District Clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT

Year Ending June 30, 1956

Receipts

	(Budgeted)	(Actual)	(Actual)
Federal Aid:			
National School Lunch and Special Milk	2 400 00		3 266 81
Local Taxation:			
Current Appropriation	277 946 99	270 946 99	
Special Appropriations (including deficit appropriations)		9 700 00	
Total			280 646 99
Other Sources:			
Elementary School Tuitions	1 200 00	2 050 00	
Secondary Tuition	36 075 00	32 922 87	
Trust Funds	5 132 43	4 675 63	
Notes or Bonds		42 400 00	
Other	2 396 49	6 240 13	
Total			88 288 63
Total Net Receipts from all Sources	325 150 91		372 202 43
Cash on Hand at Beginning Year, July 1, 1955			311 32
GRAND TOTAL NET RECEIPTS	325 150 91		372 513 75

Explanation of Difference Between Net Receipts and Gross Transactions

Total Net Income Plus Cash on Hand July 1, 1955	372 513 75
Receipts from Refunds, Double Payment, "In and Out" Transactions	2 505 12
TOTAL GROSS INCOME	375 018 87

Payments

Administration			
Salaries of District Officers	805 00	805 00	
Superintendent's Salary (Local Share)	3 328 51	3 454 11*	
Tax for State Wide Supervision	1 640 00	1 640 00	
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel	5 000 00	3 612 43	
Supplies and Expenses	2 390 06	3 228 01	
			12 739 55
Instruction			
Teachers' Salaries	175 133 00	175 317 51	
Principals' Salaries	11 497 00	11 553 74	
Books and Other Instructional Aids	4 050 00	3 841 32	
Scholars' Supplies	4 775 00	5 066 63	
Salaries of Clerical Assistants	2 900 00	2 900 00	
Supplies and Expenses	1 965 00	1 950 38	
			200 629 58
Operation of School Plant			
Salaries of Custodians	11 400 00	11 413 89	
Fuel or Heat	8 510 00	9 195 32	
Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	5 285 00	6 944 02	
			27 553 23
Maintenance of School Plant			
Repairs and Replacements	9 547 00	8 965 98	
			8 965 98
Auxiliary Activities			
Health Supervision	4 100 00	3 875 66	
Transportation	14 545 25	12 052 76	
Tuition	675 00	400 00	
Special Activities and Special Funds	3 215 00	3 270 74	
School Lunch (Federal and District Funds)	3 150 00	4 016 81	
			23 615 97

Fixed Charges			
Retirement	13 930 09	13 619 62	
Insurance, Treasurer's Bond and Expenses	3 638 50	3 497 26	
			17 116 88
Capital Outlay			
Lands and New Buildings	7 000 00	4 248 21	
Additions and Improvements	4 301 00	52 254 42	
New Equipment	6 423 00	5 875 53	
			62 378 16
Debt and Interest			
Principal of Debt	13 000 00	13 000 00	
Interest on Debt	2 947 50	3 435 10	
			16 435 10
Total Net Payments for all Purposes	325 150 91		369 434 45
Cash on Hand at End of Year (June 30, 1956)			
General Fund			2 819 88
Capital Outlay Fund			259 42
GRAND TOTAL NET PAYMENTS	325 150 91		372 513 75

*Enfield $1,023.72, Orford $517.71, Lyme $504.46, State $2,500.00

Explanation of Difference Between Net Expenditures and Gross Transactions

Total Net Payments Plus Cash on Hand June 30, 1956	372 513 75
Payments Refunded or Returned, Payments made on Centralized Purchasing for Other Districts, etc.	2 505 12
TOTAL GROSS PAYMENTS	375 018 87

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1956

Assets		*Liabilities*	
Cash on Hand June 30, 1956	3 079 30	Accounts Owed by District: C. H. Sprague & Son Co.	65 00
		Notes and Bonds Outstanding	232 400 00
		Amounts Reserved for Special Purposes	2 751 79
		High School Heating Plant and new roof	259 42
Total Assets	3 079 30	Total Liabilities	235 476 21
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities over Assets)	232 396 91		
GRAND TOTAL	235 476 21	GRAND TOTAL	235 476 21

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

1. Name of Building or Project for which Notes or Bonds were issued	*Elementary Addition*	*High School Heating Plant and New Roof*	*Total*
2. Outstanding at Beginning of year	203 000 00		203 000 00
3. Issued During Year		42 400 00	42 400 00
4. Total	203 000 00	42 400 00	245 400 00
5. Payments of Principal of Debt	13 000 00		13 000 00
6. Notes and Bonds Outstanding at End of Year	190 000 00	42 400 00	232 400 00

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

July 1, 1955-June 30, 1956

Balance on hand July 1, 1955		311 32
Received from Town of Hanover	280 646 99	
Received from State Treasurer	3 266 81	
Received from Tuitions	34 972 87	
Received from Trust Funds	4 675 63	
Received from all other sources	2 560 12	
		326 122 42
		326 433 74
Amount paid out as per School Board orders	323 613 86	
Balance on hand July 1, 1956	2 819 88	
		326 433 74

ETHEL C. BOND,
Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of Hanover of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956 and find them correct in all respects.

LEONARD E. MORRISSEY
Auditor

July 11, 1956

COMPARISON OF EXPENDITURES

		Expenditures 1955-56	*Budget* 1956-57	*Estimated Expenditures* 1956-57	*Proposed Budget* 1957-58
I	Salaries of District Officers	805 00	850 00	850 00	850 00
II	Superintendent's Salary (Local Share)	3 454 11	3 798 48	3 798 48	4 114 83
III	Tax for Statewide Supervision	1 640 00	1 650 00	1 652 00	1 724 00
IV	Salaries of Administrative Personnel	5 366 45	6 150 00	7 149 03	8 514 00
V	Supplies and Expenses	3 794 50	2 689 00	3 559 00	3 932 44
VI	Principals' and Teachers' Salaries	186 983 73	209 733 33	206 309 66	252 601 00
VII	Books and Other Instructional Aids	3 847 37	4 000 00	4 150 00	5 500 00
VIII	Scholars' Supplies	5 182 04	5 650 00	6 135 00	6 780 00
IX	Salaries of Clerical Assistants	2 900 00	3 100 00	2 950 00	3 150 00
X	Supplies and Expenses	1 950 38	2 450 00	2 610 00	3 110 00
XI	Salaries of Custodians	11 413 89	12 030 00	12 351 15	16 365 00
XII	Fuel or Heat	9 196 79	8 560 00	11 363 50	16 841 59
XIII	Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	7 229 02	5 535 00	7 475 00	11 754 00
XIV	Repairs and Replacements	8 695 48	18 402 75	18 780 00	12 643 25
XV	Health Supervision	3 875 66	4 389 00	4 404 00	4 770 00
XVI	Transportation	12 102 06	12 704 75	12 704 75	12 904 75
XVII	Tuition	400 00	800 00	1 600 00	2 131 00
XVIII	Special Activities and Special Funds	7 127 95	7 555 00	8 855 00	8 855 00
XIX	Retirement (and Social Security)	13 619 62	15 706 89	16 451 49	20 365 66
XX	Insurance, Treasurer's Bond, & Expenses	3 542 26	5 402 50	5 193 34	11 936 50
XXI	Lands and New Buildings	4 248 21			
XXII	Additions and Improvements	3 928 71	6 366 00	6 686 00	10 198 80
XXIII	New Equipment	5 875 53	3 641 35	4 048 00	3 090 20
XXV	Principal of Debt	13 000 00	18 400 00	18 400 00	43 000 00
XXVI	Interest on Debt	3 435 10	13 670 60	14 004 10	23 640 50
	Deficiency		2 700 00		8 244 85
	Building Fund		40 000 00	40 000 00	
TOTAL	EXPENDITURES	323 613 86	415 934 65	421 479 50	497 017 37

COMPARISON OF RECEIPTS

	Actual 1955-56	*Budget* 1956-57	*Estimated* 1956-57	*Budget* 1957-58
Balance, July 1	311 32		2 819 88	6 000 00
Bridgman Estate	4 500 00	4 500 00	3 800 00	3 800 00
School Lunch and Milk (In and Out)	3 266 81	2 400 00	3 700 00	3 700 00
Secretaries' Salaries (In and Out)	1 754 02	1 899 02	1 899 02	2 049 08
Office Operation (In and Out)	564 11	175 00	175 00	225 00
Rent of Halls	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00
Transportation	44 06		50 00	50 00
High School Tuition	32 922 87	37 380 00	40 665 10	48 276 00
Elementary Tuition	2 050 00	988 00	1 235 00	1 460 00
Trust Funds	175 63			
Building Aid		2 600 00	2 600 00	7 600 00
Miscellaneous	147 93	150 00	100 00	100 00
TOTALS	45 786 75	50 142 02	57 094 00	73 310 08
Total Receipts	326 433 74	415 934 65	420 186 63	497 017 37
Total Receipts Other Than Property Taxes	45 786 75	50 142 02	57 094 00	73 310 08
Raised or to be Raised by Taxation	280 646 99	365 792 63	363 092 63	423 707 29

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

For the fifth successive year, the energies of the School Board have been directed towards the problem of high school expansion. Happily, the planning stage is now complete and the problem is being attacked with bulldozers and concrete mixers rather than blueprints and consultants.

Early in 1956, two proposals for high school construction were presented to the community. One called for a new building at a new site and the other for an addition to the existing building. At an adjourned meeting of the School District on May 21, 1956, Plan 2A Revised was endorsed by the School District by a 3-to-1 vote and a bond issue approved by 91% of the voters.

Since the bond issue was at the maximum of the debt limit, the requisite approval was immediately sought from the State Investigating Committee. At a hearing on June 21, 1956 we received a unanimous approval.

Next, our architects and consultants went to work completing the working drawings and specifications. Requests for bids were sent out on October 12, 1956, and the bids opened on November 14, 1956. On December 3, 1956, the construction contract was awarded to Charles Fiske of Woodstock, Vermont, the low bidder, at a price of $625,427.03. This amount was $29,031.97 lower than Mr. Fiske's total bid, and was obtained by negotiation between the Board and the Contractor.

Despite this saving, made through satisfactory substitutions, the contract figure was still in excess of the original estimate. Also, the revised equipment estimate exceeded that originally included. These increases in construction and equipment costs reflect the present period of rising prices. To award the contract and avoid construction delay, funds were transferred to the building account from the equipment account and a special article has been inserted in the Warrant to replace this furniture and equipment deficit.

In the meantime the School District Bonds were put up for competitive bidding through the First National Bank of Boston. On

October 9, 1956, the bids were opened and the bonds were sold at the low bid of 3.1% interest plus a small premium. In view of the present trend of rising rates of interest, we were fortunate in obtaining this figure. Pending partial and final payments on the construction contract, the funds have been invested in short-term United States Government securities.

At eleven o'clock on December 5, 1956 a ground-breaking ceremony for the new addition to the high school took place and construction was finally under way.

The Board deeply appreciates the support given it by the entire community at the last School District meeting. The result can now be seen and heard in the new construction beginning to take shape outside the high school.

The other major activity of the Board during this year has been the continued study of teachers' salaries. The Salary Study Committee, which made a preliminary report in 1956, is recommending a substantial change in the teachers' salary schedule for 1957-58. The Committee, under the chairmanship of Linwood H. Bean, has as members Elisabeth M. Bradley, Peter Lihatsh, and John C. Manchester, representing the School Board; Mary V. Golding, Helen E. Goodwin, Cary E. Rothenburger, and Forrest P. Branch, representing the teachers; and C. Colby Bent, Roger E. Burt, Mrs. George H. Colton, and Francis E. Derrick, representing the community. The attainment of a reasonably permanent salary schedule has proved to be a mirage in past years. We firmly feel that the carefully studied recommendations this year are closer to reality than ever before.

At the invitation of the Board, the Norwich School Directors were represented at our February meeting, and will continue to attend, thus giving us a closer liaison with that large group attending our high school.

We know that Hanover will not accept second-best in its schools. Upon completion of the new plant and adoption of the salary schedule, Hanover schools should be in their best condition, both plant-wise and morale-wise, in their history. Full credit must be given to

our competent and willing staff: the superintendent, principals, teachers, secretaries, and custodians. On the other hand, we must never be complacent, but must continue to scrutinize our activities to the end that Hanover gives its children the best education that its means can afford.

Linwood H. Bean
Elisabeth M. Bradley
Katharine G. Larmon
Peter Lihatsh
John C. Manchester
Jean M. Milne
S. Russell Stearns
S. John Stebbins
Dorothy M. Strong

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Hanover:

I present herein my third annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Hanover. In preparing the report I have used materials freely from reports submitted by the principals and other members of the staff.

The School Building

The big event of the year, of course, occurred at the adjourned school district meeting held on May 21, 1956 when the School Bond Issue for alterations and additions to the high school plant and to the grade school was voted. A great deal of study, many meetings, much discussion and publicity had preceded the vote. The meeting was one of the finest examples that I have ever seen of community spirit, and of a community, in spite of previous differences of opinion, getting together to solidly back what it believed to be a worthwhile and necessary project.

The meeting, after discussion, made its choice of so-called Plan 2A Revised over Plan 1 by a vote of 631—206. It then voted a bond issue by the overwhelming majority of 704 to 67.

The building is now becoming a reality, in spite of snow and cold weather. It is our hope that we will be in the classroom wing and in the cafeteria wing by September of 1957, and in the wing containing the gymnasium, locker rooms, shop, and arts and crafts room by January of 1958. These estimates may be over-optimistic, but the architects and contractor have pledged their best efforts to make them come true.

The building, will of course, make enriched programs possible in many areas. Among them are physical education, shop, home making, arts and crafts, music and commercial studies. Because some of the facilities will not be ready until January of 1958, and because there is some uncertainty as to whether the classroom wing will be ready for September, it is deemed wiser not to attempt to start all of the enriched programs in September, but rather to wait until September of 1958. If we were to attempt to start them for the school year 1957-58 the pupils would have to elect the courses in the spring of the current school year. If, then, the facilities were not ready there

would have to be many changes in programs and elections with consequent confusion and disappointment.

We in the schools look forward to the new facilities with high hopes. We pledge ourselves to do the very best that we can to insure that the District's investment will pay dividends in ever better education for its boys and girls. We hope, too, that it will pay dividends in greatly increased use of the school facilities for community activities.

I want to pay tribute to the tremendous amount of work and study that the principals and teachers have done in helping to plan the building and are now doing in planning the equipment. They have been a great help. Certainly, too, a tribute should go to the efforts of the Board members and of other citizens. I am sure that the building and the equipment in it will be better because of all of their efforts.

Reports to Parents

In last year's report I noted that a committee of elementary school teachers was at work on a revision of report cards. That study is still continuing. A further experimental card is now being used and the committee solicits the comments and advice of the parents.

The study shows that one of the most generally acclaimed and successful means of reporting to parents, particularly at the primary level, is the parent-teacher conference. These conferences would not eliminate the report card but rather would be a follow-up on such reports. We are confident that they will serve a very valuable purpose in better acquainting the parents with the child's work and in bringing about a better understanding of the child on the part of the teacher. One of the principal problems in connection with such a plan is the need for released time for the teachers so that they can plan and conduct the conferences with sufficient time to make them worthwhile both to the teacher and to the parents. If the plan is carried out this year it will probably be with only the first grade. It will mean, of course, that on the days of the conferences the children in the grades or rooms affected will have to be dismissed at the close of the morning session. The first grade teachers have held conferences with their parents. In general the reaction of the parents was most favorable.

Arithmetic

Also in last year's report I mentioned the study of the arithmetic program, of improved methods in the teaching of that subject and the need for new textbooks. That study resulted in the unanimous choice by the teachers of an excellent and modern series of arithmetic books. These books are now in use and the reaction to them of both the teachers and the pupils is quite favorable.

Guidance

This is the second school year in which we have had the full time services of Mr. Paul Stimson as guidance counselor. Mr. Stimson has also been elected as Vice Principal of the high school. The work of this position fits in well with his guidance work rather than interfering with it. Through Mr. Bragner, the Principal, the various departments in the high school have submitted excellent reports to me. Space does not allow for the printing of all of them. Because the guidance is a relatively new venture I am, however, including Mr. Stimson's report in its entirety. It is as follows:

"This is the second annual report from the guidance department during which time a full time guidance person has been employed.

The purpose of the guidance work is to offer a service to pupils, parents and teachers that will enable each child to plan a worthwhile program to best develop his abilities and interests in preparation for his plans after high school. A large portion of this work is in the form of educational planning with either individual pupils and their parents or with small groups of pupils. At the guidance office there is a great amount of printed material with information concerning college entrance requirements, scholarships available, occupational information, job opportunities both in the local community and in the nation.

Of last year's graduating class of 61 students, 62% went on to further education; 38 of them went on to advanced educational institutions, 11 to work directly in the clerical field, 2 went into general labor, 8 into the Armed Services, and 3 were married. Of the 38 who continued their education the following colleges are represented: Dartmouth 4, U.N.H. 4, U.V.M. 4, Brown 2, Keene

T.C. 2, Smith 2, Bentley and Burdett 1 each, Nursing 1, KUA Prep 3, Garland and Lasell Jr. College 1 each, with single entries at Mt. Holyoke, Lake Erie, Simmons, Sweet Briar, Wellesley, Norwich, Elmira, St. Michaels, Denison, Pembroke, Tufts, Cornell.

To assist the college bound pupils, besides a wealth of information maintained in the office, an opportunity to obtain first hand information from visiting college representatives who meet with small groups of interested pupils was offered when 25 different colleges sent representatives last year to our school. Many parents were able to take their own children to visit various college campuses of their choice: these visits are particularly helpful. Some colleges offer Open House or Visiting Days. We have sponsored small group trips to U.N.H., Keene T.C., Plymouth T.C., Boston U., Nursing Career day at Mary Hitchcock Hospital and Crotched Mt. Hospital on such visiting days.

For the boys interested in going into the Armed Services after high school we had group conferences at the school with representatives from nearly every branch of the Armed Services including: the NROTC, Army Reserves, Army, Wacs, Air Force, and the U.S. Navy.

For the pupils planning to go to work immediately after high school we arranged for visits to various offices in town for observation of the work done and then arranged for on-the-job-training and part-time work for many of these girls. The business people of the town have been particularly helpful in cooperating with the school to provide the opportunity for practical experience while the girls are still attending school. We are still unable to fill all the calls for work, especially in the clerical field, that come to our school.

Many of our past graduates take advantage of the services offered by the guidance department, particularly those in service who are now planning an educational program. We have been in contact with young men from Japan to Germany as well as all over this country trying to assist them in making plans for college upon their discharge from service. This is particularly gratifying when you know that many of them, after their tour of duty, have now matured so that they now have a great desire to go on to college.

The Guidance Office is open at any time for parents who wish to

confer about their children. We have had many visits from parents about their children's progress both in school and out. It is our endeavor to be as helpful as possible in all cases so that each child might be better adjusted to the school and out-of-school situations. We try to have at least one conference with each child during the year, in some cases we have many counseling conferences with one pupil. The local hospital, State Guidance Clinic and State Rehabilitation Office have all been very cooperative whenever we have needed assistance in individual cases.

A Remedial Reading program has been established for those pupils of junior high school age. We have cooperated with Miss Golding making recommendations as to who would profit most from such a training program. The results have been gratifying. It would be helpful to have this same service for senior high pupils who need such additional training.

An individual folder is kept for each pupil. This folder is started in the first grade, or when a pupil first attends our school. Each year additional information is added to this folder and provides valuable information to help us know more about each individual pupil. Subject grades, test scores, health records, and personal statistics are kept up to date to help each child choose the program in high school he is best suited for and to help him in making plans for his future.

The testing program has been expanded to include:

General Achievement tests in grades 7 and 8, an Interest Test at both the junior high and senior high level, at least two general aptitude tests during the six years, special Reading Tests in grades 9-10, special aptitude tests that are available to senior high pupils, as well as individual tests when needed. In addition we participate in a statewide testing program for Tenth graders, offer preliminary college board exams as well as practice exams, before the CEEB is taken in the senior year. Other outside exams offered have been the National Merit Exam, Betty Crocker Homemaking, Science Talent Search, and NROTC.

The results of these tests have been most gratifying. On the state wide test Hanover pupils perform very well; the top half of our classes rate as high as the top quarter of other classes throughout the state in both academic aptitude and reading ability as measured by the

ACE test and the Cooperative Reading test. From the National Merit Examination we placed two pupils as finalists with only about a dozen pupils being selected throughout the state. Allen Hill and Eric Whiting were selected on the basis of their preliminary exams to compete in the final exam and may be able to win as much as $2500 a year for 4 years of college.

Visiting days have been arranged for all new pupils from Norwich, Lyme and for our own sixth graders. These visits are helpful so that each may better know his way around the building when he arrives next year. Group meetings have been arranged with parents, particularly 8th grade parents whose children will be making subject selections for the next year and planning a program for the four years of high school. These meetings are most helpful and bring a large percentage of the parents to the school to meet the teachers and have the program explained to them."

PAUL K. STIMSON

HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

In last year's report I dwelt at some length on the broadened and enriched physical education program including the intra-mural activities. I think that everyone is aware of the splendid after school athletic program, both varsity and intra-mural, that is now being offered in the schools. The High School also offers an impressive list of non-athletic activities. The following is quoted from the report of Mr. James D. Osgood, director of extra-curricular activities:

"*Clubs and Publications*: With the numerous clubs which are supervised by experienced faculty members, every student in school should be able to participate in one or more that is of particular interest to him. From the following list of clubs it appears that a variety of interests are challenged:

Rifle Club	Orchestra	Footlighters
French Club	Senior Chorus	Junior Dramatics
Latin Club	Junior Chorus	Cheerleaders
Spanish Club	Assembly Committee	Library Aids
Science Club	Fire Patrol	Audio Visual Aids
Press Club	Safety Patrol	Secretarial Aids
Band	Student Council	Cafeteria Aids

The writing of our publications, *Harpoon, Penofiron* and the year book *Inde* requires practical skill from the participants. The *Inde* received national recognition this last year in competition with publications of other schools.

Improvements: During the last year our *Inde* improved so much that it won national honors. Our monthly publication, *The Harpoon,* was reorganized with a change in the method of printing."

Library

We are to have a good library room in the new building. A well equipped and a well run school library can make a tremendous contribution to the whole school program. Our present library is practically useless, not only because it has to be used as a study hall, but also because the books in it are few in number and for the most part obsolete and of little value to a modern school program. I sincerely hope that in the future we may have an excellent collection of books and a full time librarian to administer the very worth while contribution that a library can make.

Opportunity Class

In Hanover as in every other school system we have quite a number of pubils who are unable to compete with regular school work. They frequently repeat grades, but even then have to be sent on to the next grade because of their age and size. The teachers, the principals and I are all very much concerned about this problem. The situation is bad from the point of view of the children in question. They develop feelings of inferiority and of frustration because they cannot compete. They frequently become disciplinary problems. Furthermore, they demand an inordinate amount of the teacher's time at the sacrifice of the more able pupils. I hope that in the not too distant future we can develop opportunity classes for these children, or at least one such class. An opportunity class must first of all have a teacher who, both by personality and special training, is equipped to handle retarded children. She will then develop a program to meet their individual needs and interests. The class will have to be small so that she can devote a great deal of time to each individual. There is, of

course, nothing new about such classes. They have been in operation in many school systems for years. They are costly, but are, I am sure, a good investment and may, in the long run, be money savers.

Added Teachers for 1957-58

It is generally agreed that classes should not exceed 25 for effective teaching. Obviously, good work can be done in larger classes but we should certainly strive to keep the maximum size at about that number. Forty new and added pupils came into the grade school this year. This means that many of our classes are larger than we would like to see them. In the first three grades the class sizes are not too bad; the principle crowding is in the upper three grades. The grade alignment for the current year is as follows:

Grade 1	2 of 27 and 1 of 28	82	
Grade 2	2 of 26 and 1 of 25	77	
Grade 3	1 of 23 and 2 of 24	71	
Grade 4	1 of 33 and 1 of 36	69	
Grade 5	1 of 33 and 1 of 32	65	
Grade 6	1 of 31 and 1 of 28	59	
	Total	423	November 1, 1956

As can be readily seen we should have three rooms for each grade. This means that we need three added rooms. We very much hope that we are to have them by September. This will depend, of course, upon the additions and alterations going in accordance with the schedule mentioned earlier. We will get the three additional rooms in the following ways:

1. The kitchen will be in the new cafeteria and the grade school room now used for the kitchen will be converted to a classroom.

2. The remedial reading room will become a regular classroom and the remedial reading work will be moved to a smaller room.

3. Through alterations to the grade school office and to the so-called music room, space will be provided for a health room. The room now used as a health room will then be converted into a class room.

This all means, of course, that we will need three additional teachers for the grade school. We will also need one additional academic teacher for the high school in order to take care of the added pupils and classes. Provision is made in the School Board's 1957-58 budget for these added teachers.

Teachers' Salaries

I hope that the day will soon come when in each annual report I will not feel that it is necessary to make a plea for increased teacher's salaries. I am confident that the citizens and taxpayers will join most fervently in that hope. I am also confident that those citizens and taxpayers want, in fact demand, high quality teachers for the Hanover Schools. As compared with other New Hampshire communities Hanover has certainly not been niggardly in its teachers salaries. It is apparent, however, that if Hanover is to attract and retain the quality of teachers that it wants, it must be in a position to compete not only with New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont, but also with other New England and eastern states. All draw from the same area.

For the current school year we had to get nine new teachers to replace the teachers who had resigned. Nine out of forty-six does not seem to be a large figure. However, six or approximately one-third of the twenty regular classroom teachers in the high school are new.

In spite of articles in papers, radio announcements, and a great number of inquiries by mail, telephone and in person to colleges, teacher's agencies and to individuals, we had great difficulty in getting candidates for our vacancies, particularly at the high school level. In fact, one of the high school positions was not filled until three days before school opened. This was partly due to the fact that the teacher whom we were replacing resigned during the summer because, in spite of a year's search, he had not been able to find housing in Hanover that he could afford.

We feel that we were very fortunate in the new teachers who joined us. They are all doing a good job. On the other hand, we were very much concerned by the limited choice that we had because of both the quality and the quantity of candidates.

As I see it there are several principle factors that limit the number of candidates for Hanover positions. They are as follows:

1. The general scarcity of teachers that is effecting the whole country.

2. The Hanover Salaries.

3. The housing situation. Not only is housing extremely scarce but what there is costs more than most of our teachers can pay.

4. The fact that Hanover is not in a metropolitan area. To many of us this is one of its attractive features. In the very nature of things, most of the people who are preparing for teaching or are in teaching, or in any other line of endeavor for that matter, are from metropolitan areas and most of them want to stay in those areas. Furthermore, many of those who are from the smaller communities want the experience of the metropolitan area. Many of us may feel that they are not showing good judgment. This, however, does not change the facts, although the many and unique advantages that Hanover has to offer do tend to offset those facts to some extent.

Of the six teachers who left the high school, four left to accept what to them were better positions, one left as pointed out above, because of the housing situation and one left because her husband accepted another position.

As I pointed out in my last year's report a salary study committee had been formed and was at work. This committee is made up of four members of the school board, four representatives of the teachers and four citizens of the community. The across-the-board-increase that it recommended for this year and that was put into effect was certainly a step in the right direction. Even so, as pointed out above, the resulting schedule was still not adequate. The committee has therefore continued intensive work during the current school year. It studied many facets of salaries and salary scheduling. It experimented with many schemes and finally came up with a schedule that it recommended to the school board. The board voted approval of this schedule as did the teachers. The schedule calls for a base salary for the Bachelors Degree with a minimum of $3500.00 and a maximum of $5500.00. It then sets forth increments for added degrees and for dependents. The schedule it seems to me is a good one and should put

us in a much better position to attract and retain good teachers. The amount necessary to implement this schedule is included in the School Board's 1957-58 budget. I sincerely hope that the School District Meeting will see fit to vote the necessary funds.

Maintenance of Plant

In continuance of the School Boards' program of maintaining and improving the school plant, quite extensive work was done during the summer. The major items were as follows:

High School Building—painting of two classrooms that will not be affected by the alterations, the boys' and girls' toilets on the top floor, and the top floor corridor; painting that part of the outside woodwork and fire escapes that will not be affected by the new building or alterations; improved lighting in two classrooms, the main office and the principal's office; acoustic tile ceilings in the main and principal's office.

Grade School Building—Painting of two classrooms, the auditorium, and the outside of the old part of the building; removed partitions in two of the sixth grade rooms and painted; asphalt tile flooring put in one classroom and one half of the corridors in the old part of the building; improved the lighting in the two sixth grade rooms.

Etna School—Painted the entire inside of the building and refinished the floors; improved the lighting in the grade one and two room.

Grounds and Miscellaneous—Repaired and improved drains in the athletic field; graded the school yard at Etna with gravel to improve the drainage; improved the Etna well; put in a 30′ x 30′ hard surfaced area in front of the Etna School; rebuilt and extended the storm water drain to the rear of the High School; put in black top walk on the west side of the Grade School building.

The above are merely major items. Of course, a great deal of other work was done. There is still a considerable amount of work to be done. Some of it will be included in the 1957-58 budget. It is im-

portant, and in the long run good economy, to keep the school buildings in good condition.

Conclusion

In concluding, I want to express sincere appreciation to the members of the School Board, the members of the school staff, and the citizens of Hanover for their support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur E. Pierce
Superintendent of Schools

HANOVER SCHOOL CALENDAR 1957-58 AS VOTED

	Days Per Period	Running Total
Schools Open—Wednesday, September 4		
Thanksgiving Vacation	61	61
Close—Wednesday, November 27 at 12:15		
Open—Monday, December 2		
Christmas Vacation	15	76
Close—Friday, December 20		
Open—Monday, January 6		
Winter Vacation	35	111
Close—Friday, February 21		
Open—Monday, March 3		
Spring Vacation	35	146
Close—Friday, April 18		
Open—Monday, April 28		
Memorial Day, May 30		
Schools Close—Friday, June 13	34	180

TEACHERS, 1956-57

High School

Year First Employed	*Name*	*Training*	*Grade or Subject*
1954	William E. Bragner	Dartmouth, A.B. '30 B.U., Ed.M. '40 Rutgers, '48-'50	Principal
1956	Laurence R. Akerman	U.N.H., B.A. '50 B.U., Ext. '53 U.N.H., Ext. '54-'55	Science & Mathematics Visual Aids
1944	Louise C. Bailey	Plymouth, '26 B.U., B.S. in Ed. '30 B.U., Ed.M. '44 B.U., S.S. '47, '52	English Advisor of "Inde"
1956	Susan M. Behling	Univ. of Colorado, B.A. '54 Oregon, Ext. '54-'55 Univ. of Calif., S.S. '55	Social Studies
1955	Gladys A. Boutillette	B.U., B.S. '45 B.U., Ed.M. '54	Business Treasurer of Activities
1937	Forrest P. Branch	Dartmouth, A.B. '33 B.U., Ed.M. '53 Keene, Ext. '56 Plymouth, Ext. '55	Social Studies Coach of Football Coach of Ice Hockey
1941	Gladys G. Churchill	Bates, A.B. '32 Harvard, A.M. '42 U. of Wisconsin, S.S. '47 Laval U., S.S. '48, '49 European Travel and Teaching '49, '50 Travel in France, Gilley Scholarship '54 Travel in France, Gilley Scholarship '56	French
1945	Lester W. Claflin	Middlebury, A.B. '32 B.U., S.S. '34 Keene, S.S. '43 Gorham, S.S. '44 U. of Mexico, S.S. '52 U.N.H., Ext. '56	Spanish and Latin

1955	Norman S. Cook	Bowdoin, B.S. '43 Tufts, Ed.M. '48 Northwestern, S.S. '50 R.P.I., S.S. '52 Math. Inst. Williams, '56	Mathematics Coach of Boys' Basketball
1946	Kathryn C. Dupell	Keene, B.Ed. '29 U.N.H., S.S. '46, '50 Keene, S.S. '55	Home Economics Manager of Cafeteria
1955	Delmar W. Goodwin	U.N.H., B.A. '36 Harvard, Ed.M. '55	Social Studies
1951	Mildred J. Hayes	U.N.H., A.B. '49 U.N.H., Ext. '51 U. of Maine, S.S. '54	English "Penofiron"
1950	Margaret E. Klaybor	Plymouth, B.Ed. '54	Business Director of Dramatics
1956	Harold H. Lary	Middlebury, B.A. '44 Middlebury, M.A. '54	English
1951	Edward H. Leonard, Jr.	Dartmouth, A.B. '42 Lowell Inst., '43-'45, '47 Tufts, M.A. '54 Dartmouth, Ext. '53-'54 Tufts, SS. '56	Science
1956	Patricia M. Lyons	Tufts Univ., B.A. '56	English and History
1956	Donald R. Merchant	St. Lawrence Univ., B.S. '49 Univ. of Rochester, '43-'44	Mathematics & Mechanical Drawing
1955	Richard R. Norris	Keene, S.S. '55 Keene, S.S. '56 Keene, Ext. '56	Industrial Arts Coach of Skiing Coach of Track
1955	James D. Osgood	U.N.H., B.S. '29 U.N.H., Ed.M. '32 Keene, Ext. '48 U.N.H., Ext. '50, '51 U.N.H., Ext. '56	Mathematics Activities Director
1956	Marjorie A. Rogers	Keene, B.E. '56	Home Economics
1953	Cary E. Rothenburger	Plymouth, B.Ed. '53 Keene, Ext. '56 Plymouth, Ext. '55	Science Coach of Baseball

1936	Paul K. Stimson	Keene, B.Ed. '36 Harvard, S.S. '37 U.N.H., S.S. '38, '48, '49, '53 '54 Columbia, S.S. '52 B.U., S.S. '55 U.N.H., Ext. '56	Director of Guidance Assistant Principal

Grade School

1929	Bernice A. Ray	Keene, '29 B.U., B.S. in Ed. '50 U. of Michigan, S.S. '52 B.U., S.S. '53	Principal
1948	Lillian K. Bailey	Plymouth, B.Ed. '37 B.U., Ext. '47 U.N.H., S.S. '50 Plymouth, Ext. '51 Keene, Ext. '52 Plymouth, S.S. '52 U.V.M., Ext. '54	Grade III
1951	Ruth C. Brown	Keene, B.Ed. '51 U.V.M., S.S. '39, '40, '41 Plymouth, S.S. '50 Keene, S.S. '51 Keene, Ext. '56	Grade II
1955	Ruth L. Brown	Keene, B.Ed. '42 H.B.U., Ext. '44-'45 H.B.U., Ext. '45-'46 U.V.M., Ext. '47-'48 U.N.H., Ext. '56 U.V.M., S.S. '48	Grade II
1952	Marjorie Y. Butler	Douglass, Litt.B. '23 Montclair, '31-'32 B.U., S.S. '48, '49 Lyndon, S.S. '50 U.V.M., Ext. '52 U. of Maine, S.S. '52 U.N.H., Ext. '54, '55	Grade IV
1954	Eleanor Cadbury	Hollins, B. of Mus. '34 Temple, Ext. '46 T.C. Columbia, M.A. '51 T.C. Columbia, S.S. '52	Kindergarten

1953	Dorothy M. Davison	Philadelphia Normal, Kind. Cert. '16 T.C. Columbia, S.S. '29, '33, '35, '36, '38, '40, '41, '51, '52 T.C. Columbia, B.S. in Ed. '50 T.C. Columbia, Grad. S. '51-'52 Castleton, S.S. '54	Kindergarten
1947	Ruth E. Dennis	Plymouth, B. Ed. '42 B.U., Ext. '47 U.N.H., S.S. '49 Plymouth, Ext. '51 U. of Maine, S.S. '54	Grade II
1950	Ruth F. Eaton	Keene, B. Ed. '43 Harvard-B.U., Ext. '50 Plymouth, Ext. '51, '54 Keene, Ext. '52 Castleton, Ext. '52, '53 U.N.H., Ext. '55, '56	Grade V
1956	Henrietta B. Edison	Univ. of Michigan, A.B. '56	Grade IV
1954	Catherine M. French	Windsor '26-'27 Lyndon '30-'31 U.V.M., S.S. '37, '41 Keene, S.S. '55 U.N.H., Ext. '55, '56 Keene, Ext. '56	Grade I
1955	Ann S. Gagnier	Park, B.A. '52 U.N.H., Ext. '56 U.N.H., S.S. '56	Grade I
1939	Mary V. Golding	Plymouth '31 T.C. Columbia, B.S. in Ed. '48 Plymouth, S.S. '52, '54 Keene, S.S. '53, '55 U.V.M., Ext. '54	Remedial Reading
1954	Esther C. Grover	Lowell Normal '24 Plymouth, S.S. '54 Keene, S.S. '55	Grade III
1953	Otis Howe	Plymouth, B. Ed. '49 Plymouth, S.S. '54	Grade VI
1951	Elizabeth Orcutt	Keene '30 Dartmouth-B.U., Ext. '34 U.V.M., S.S. '35 Mass. Dept. of Educ., Ext. '53, '54, '55, '56 Keene T.C., Ext. '56	Grade I

1954	Frances C. Richmond	Middlebury, A.B. '35 N.Y.S., S.S. '35, '36 N.Y.U., Ext. '40, '41 Plymouth, S.S. '54, '55	Grade VI
1947	Alberta Y. Stevens	Farmington '31-'34 B.U., Ext. '47 U.N.H., S.S. '50 Plymouth, Ext. '51 Keene, Ext. '52 Mass. Dept. of Educ., Ext. '51 Farmington, S.S. '53 Farmington, Ext. '54 U.V.M., Ext. '54 Keene, Ext. '56 Plymouth, T.C., S.S. '56 Keene, Ext. '57	Grade III
1952	Iona S. Stimson	Keene '33-'36 Keene, S.S. '37 U.N.H., S.S. '38, '53, '54 B. Ed. B.U., Ext. '39 T.C. Col., S.S. '52 U.N.H., Ext. '53	Grade V

Etna School

1956	Mildred D. Hoyt	Mt. Holyoke, A.B. '18 Plymouth, T.C., S.S. '54-'56 Plymouth, T.C., Ext. '55-56 Keene, T.C., S.S. '46	Grades I & II
1954	Ethel S. Loomis	B.U., B. Rel. Ed. '28 Plymouth, S.S. '50, '52 Keene, S.S. '53 B.U., Ext. '50 U.N.H., Ext. '51	Grades III & IV

Supervisors and Consultants

1956	Faith E. Emery	U.N.H., B.S. '45, B.A. '55 Radcliffe, A.M.T. '56	Art
1952	Helen E. Goodwin	Eastman S. of Mus., B.M. '47 B.U., M. Mus. Ed. '53	Music

1955	Robert C. Jones	Temple U., B.S. '48 Springfield, Ext. '49 Temple U., S.S. '50 G.W.C., Ext. '51 U. of Penn., Ext. '51 Eastern Baptist Seminary, Ext. '52 Northeastern, S.S. '55 Plymouth, Ext. '55 U.N.H., Ext. '56	Physical Ed. Assistant Coach of Football Intra-Mural Activities
1955	Dorothy E. Merriman	Sargent, B.S. '35 T.C., Columbia '35-'36 Plymouth, Ext. '56	Physical Education Coach of Field Hockey Coach of Girls Basketball Coach of Softball

Medical

1955	Irma J. Simeneau	M.H.M.H., R.N. '34 Keene, S.S. '53	School Nurse
1932	Colin C. Stewart	Dartmouth, A.B. '23 U. of Penn. Sc. of Med., M.D. '26 U. of Minn., M.S. in Ped. '31	School Doctor

Superintendent of Schools

1954	Arthur E. Pierce	Dartmouth College U. of Mass., B.S. Harvard Grad. Sch. Ed., Ed.M.	Supt. of Schools

Clerical Staff

1954	Barbara M. Branch	Pierce Secretarial School '31	High School
1956	Madeline K. Chase	Concord Business College '30	Supt. Office
1949	Jeanette I. Cook	Lebanon High School '49	Supt. Office
1955	Jean H. Hunt	Enfield High School '39	Supt. Office
1956	Marjorie J. Norris	Hartford High School '41	Grade School

Custodial Staff

1956	Lawrence Garrity		Grade School
1956	Gordon L. Hayes		Etna School
1951	Albert D. Maxfield		High School
1951	Sten Olson		Grade School
1956	Donald F. Pressey		High School
1956	Elbridge L. Reed		Etna School

HANOVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

Year Ending June 30, 1956

	Total Enrollment	*Number of Non-Resident Pupils*
Etna I	11	
Etna II	11	
Etna III	10	
Etna IV	12	
Kindergarten	82	1
Grade I	73	
Grade II	66	1
Grade III	71	1
Grade IV	56	1
Grade V	58	
Grade VI	69	3
TOTAL ELEMENTARY	519	7
Grade VII	71	
Grade VIII	62	2
TOTAL JUNIOR HIGH	133	2
Grade IX	75	24
Grade X	70	29
Grade XI	68	21
Grade XII	61	27
TOTAL SENIOR HIGH	274	101
GRAND TOTAL	926	110

HANOVER JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
COMPARATIVE YEARLY ENROLLMENT
1937-1957

Grades	Year	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	P.G.	Sp.	Total
	1937	47	44	83	74	47	50	4	1	350
	1938	46	46	60	75	59	46	14	2	348
	1939	51	44	57	57	69	57	7	2	344
	1940	53	47	71	54	51	62	7	4	349
	1941	58	48	78	66	53	45	10	2	360
	1942	66	57	73	74	59	46	4	8	387
	1943	51	56	81	73	65	55	4	7	392
	1944	47	47	76	68	51	55	7	6	357
	1945	45	48	64	72	60	45	0	0	334
	1946	43	44	70	64	74	47	7	3	352
	1947	43	41	60	68	63	66	2	0	343
	1948	49	43	72	55	64	59	0	0	342
	1949	61	50	61	66	57	57	2	1	355
	1950	57	56	73	64	59	53	1	3	366
	1951	53	56	75	66	62	52	1	0	365
	1952	49	51	74	67	52	61	0	0	354
	1953	57	50	85	68	59	50	1	0	370
	1954	62	54	78	80	56	56	1	2	389
	1955	63	50	74	66	67	45	0	0	365
	1956	71	62	75	70	68	61	0	0	407
First Semester	1957	67	72	89	70	58	64	0	0	420

GRADUATES—1956

William Maurice Aldrich
Theodore Rioch Anthonisen
Basil Linwood Avery
James Stephen Babcock
Janet E. Balch
Robert Willard Bombard
Judith Wedgwood Bowen
Judith Branch
Jerry Allen Burt
Ann Greeley Campbell
Russell Albert Carlson
Elliott Grabill Carr
Nancy Jane Chase
Stephen Merrill Conner
Julie Katherine Dougal
James Clifford Elder
Howard Daniel Fraser
Dorothy Ann Fullington
Morgan Eugene Goodrich
Juliette May Hamel
John Stanley Harrington, Jr.
Robert Lawrence Hart
Sarah Naomi Hart
Cora Nellie Hayes
Linda Lou Hicks
Nina Nancy Ingram
Thomas David Johnson
N. Maribeth King
Carol Elizabeth LaBombard
James Sheldon Leavitt
Thayer John Lewis
Katherine Halladay Lord
Sharon Elizabeth McKenna
Martha Manchester
Allen James Melendy
Bruce Donald Merrill
Richard Wagner Olmsted, Jr.
James Diamond Osgood, Jr.
Jean Elaine Packard
Susan Ellsworth Poling
Walter Lee Record
Shirley Louise Reed
Edward Peter Rogenski
Jacquelyn Olive Saia
Julia Morey Santucci
Hella von Dehn Sensenig
Rita Ann Sloan
Evelyn May Small
Edmund Peter Starzyk
Thomas Strong
Stephen H. Taylor
Jacqueline Ruth Teeter
David Anthony Thompson
John Chamberlain Tonseth
Robert Leonard Trachier
James Kenneth Trimble
Janet Elaine Trombly
Nancy Mary Ware
Patricia Watson
Ronald Page Wood, Jr.
Catherine Angela Maria Zappala

SCHOLASTIC RECOGNITION

First Honor

Julia Morey Santucci

Second Honor

Ann Greeley Campbell

Honorable Mention

Judith Branch
Sarah Naomi Hart
N. Maribeth King
Martha Manchester
Juliette May Hamel
Nina Nancy Ingram
James Sheldon Leavitt
Sharon Elizabeth McKenna
Hella von Dehn Sensenig

Class Officers

President
Stephen H. Taylor

Vice-President
Howard Daniel Fraser

Secretary
Nina Nancy Ingram

Treasurer
Elliott Grabill Carr

Class Committee Chairman
Hella von Dehn Sensenig

Student Council Chairman
Thomas Strong

Class Marshal
Robert Lawrence Hart

Assembly Committee Co-Chairmen
Theodore Rioch Anthonisen
Judith Bowen

"H" Club Chairman
Thayer John Lewis

"Inde" (Editor-in-Chief)
Hella von Dehn Sensenig

Musical Club Chairman
Julia Morey Santucci

Dramatic Club Chairman
Sharon Elizabeth McKenna

Junior Class Ushers

John Robes (Head Usher)

Linwood Bean, Jr.
David Hadlock
Peter Garrity
Ann Bragner
Sally Orcutt
Virginia Lampe

HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

July 1, 1955 through June 30, 1956

Receipts		*Payments*	
District General Fund	3 100 00	High School	10 460 44
Other Receipts	7 830 39		
Total Receipts	10 930 39	Total Payments	10 460 44
Cash on Hand July 1, 1955	1 095 30	Cash on Hand June 30, 1956	1 565 25
Grand Total	12 025 69	Grand Total	12 025 69

BALANCE SHEET

Assets		*Liabilities*	
Cash on Hand June 30, 1956	1 565 25	Accounts Owed	None
Total Receipts	1 565 25	Total Liabilities	None
Excess of Liabilities over Assets	None	Excess of Assets over Liabilities	1 565 25
Grand Total	1 565 25	Grand Total	1 565 25

HOT LUNCH

July 1, 1955 thrugh June 30, 1956

Receipts		*Payments*	
District General Fund	750 00		
Other Receipts	20 899 96		
Total Receipts	21 649 96	Total Payments	21 386 41
Cash on Hand July 1, 1955	469 42	Cash on Hand June 30, 1956	732 97
Grand Total	22 119 38	Grand Total	22 119 38

BALANCE SHEET, JUNE 30, 1956

Assets		*Liabilities*	
Cash on Hand June 30, 1956	732 97		
Accounts Due June Milk	89 76	Accounts Owed	113 60
Total Assets	822 73	Total Liabilities	113 60
		Excess of Assets over Liabilities	709 13
Grand Total	822 73	Grand Total	822 73

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the Hanover High School Activities Association books for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956 and find them supported by the proper authorizations. In addition I have reconciled the final cash balance with the bank and find it correct.

LEONARD E. MORRISSEY
Auditor

July 11, 1956